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RCHS senior honored by Scouts

By Daryl Fisher
Features Editor

River City High School senior Anita Enriquez was recently awarded the Girl Scout Gold Award, which is the highest achievement in Girl Scouting. Anita has been in Girl Scouts for 12 years and has also served as a volunteer for the City of West Sacramento's Kids Camp, been involved with MEChA (Movimeiento Estudiante Chicano de Aztlan), an organization focusing on cultural events, and participated in LINK Crew, which assists students making the transition from middle school to high school.

"Being in Girl Scouts has really helped me gain leadership skills," explained Anita, "and also encouraged me to get involved in my community. It's definitely been a positive experience and I'm very proud to be a Girl Scout Gold Award winner."

Anita has been a Girl Scout since she was in the first grade.

"I've been a Brownie, a Junior, a Cadet, and now a Senior Girl Scout," explained Anita. "I've especially enjoyed all the arts and crafts work, plus the many field trips I've been able to take to places like Great America and Santa Cruz. Scouting has also been a wonderful way to make new friends, too."

The Girl Scout Gold Award is given for outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, career planning, personal development and community service. In Anita's case, she came up with the idea of providing low-income, at-risk families with "Comfort Kits".

"I've being doing volunteer work for West Sacramento's Chemical Dependency Center for Women for two years," explained Anita, "and many of the people who are working hard to get their lives back together don't even have some of the basics of life, so with the help of my supporters, Teressa, Sally, and Lorraine, I assembled about 100 Comfort Kits, which provided families with supplies such as diapers, baby food, baby wipes, toothpaste, toys and toiletries. Every little bit helps when a person is trying to get off drugs and alcohol and the families who received our Comfort Kits were very appreciative."



ANITA ENRIQUEZ

The Girl Scout Gold Award is earned by completing the following five requirements:

Earn four interest project patches, each of which require seven activities that center on skill building, technology, service projects and career exploration; earn the Career Exploration Pin that involves researching careers, resume writing, and planning a career fair or trip; earn the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award that requires a minimum of 30 hours of working involving use of leadership skills; design a self-development plan and participate for a minimum of 15 hours in a community service project; and spend a minimum of 50 hours planning and implementing a project that has a positive and lasting impact on the community.

In addition to receiving the Girl Scouts Gold Award, Anita was also presented with the J.C. Penney Golden Rule Award at this year's Girl Scouts of Tierra del Oro's Annual Recognition of Excellence Awards Dinner, which was held at the Double Tree Hotel in Sacramento. The Golden Rule Award is given for outstanding volunteer youth service.

"Being in Girl Scouts has helped me understand that people can really make a difference in their community if they just get involved," said Anita. "Plus I've met so many nice, interesting people and also learned a lot about myself. I'm glad that my parents got me involved at an early age and thankful to all the people who have helped me along the way. It's been a lot of fun."

Anita will be attending California State University at Sacramento in the fall, where she plans on majoring in either Education or Criminal Justice.

WUSD criminal complaint criticized

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

A lawyer for a school district employee accused of "stealing time" told the W.U.S.D. school board Thursday that the criminal case against Kimy Gibson was "ludicrous" and "could end up in a very large award for Ms. Gibson that could possibly bankrupt this district."

Superintendent Dr. Dennis Kelleher had filed a criminal complaint against Gibson for failure to attend 32 days of computer training for which she was paid by the district. Gibson's attorney, Richard Burton, told the board that the case was a "retaliatory move" against her by Kelleher and by a "board member in law enforcement." He was alluding to Lt. David Farmer, whom he did not name.

Burton said that "doctored" time records were involved in the case. Gibson showed some of these records to the *News-Ledger* last week, and there did appear to be two different sets of handwriting on some of her time records.

'I also want a signed letter of apology to my client, signed by the superintendent.'
RICHARD BURTON
Attorney for Kimy Gibson

'It's way past time for (Gibson) to be disciplined.'
SHERRY CARROLL
WUSD Employee

An explanation wasn't immediately available. Farmer said last week he could not discuss the case, and Kelleher has not returned calls from the *News-Ledger*.

Burton told the school board he wanted it to contact the Yolo County District Attorney's office and drop the charges for which Gibson has already been arrested.

"I also want a signed letter of apology to my client signed by the superintendent," he added.

Roughly 50 members of the California State Employees union were on hand to support Burton comments and those of their own union representative upset at the handling of the case.

"Does (Kelleher) have your permission to file these kinds of charges?" asked union rep Marcie Bayne rhetorically, adding that in her nearly 20-years of experience the action was "unprecedented."

Not all of those in attendance defended Gibson.

The first speaker at the meeting, Golden State Middle School employee Sherry Carroll, said it was high time Gibson was punished.

"In my opinion," she said, "it's way past time for this employee to be disciplined. She often bragged that she signed up for workshops and then used that time for personal purposes. . . I applaud your action so far in this matter."

Her comments brought an accusation of slander from Gibson's attorney, who later reiterated to the *News-Ledger* that he would advise her to file an action against Carroll for her comments.

The board largely held its tongue during the comments from members of the public.

Attorney Burton said Friday he had not immediately received a response from the district on his offer to "meet and confer."

The school board meeting Thursday was held at Alyce Norman Elementary School.

Albino convention: school district business?

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

While local schools superintendent Dr. Dennis Kelleher has filed criminal charges against a district employee for misusing $3,100 worth of her paid work time, the superintendent himself has at least one well-known financial question mark on his own record.

In the summer of 1998, Kelleher attended a national convention for fellow albinos in Chicago, and then charged the school district for a little over $300 in associated dining and hotel costs in Reno and Arlington Heights. Assistant Superintendent James Sweeney reports that there is no explanation in the travel records of how the trip was justified as official district business.

The event is well known to local school board members, but Kelleher was never asked to repay the money.

A second question mark appears over an election-time reception Kelleher hosted for Yolo County Schools Superintendent Jorge Ayala at Washington Unified's district boardroom. Two sources close to the district indicated that, before the reception, district legal counsel advised Kelleher to open the reception up to both candidates running for the post. This way, they said, the reception would not break the law by using district facilities for a partisan purpose. Kelleher refused to invite the other candidate, say the sources. Ayala was the only candidate to attend.

Assistant Superintendent Sweeney said he was not aware if the Ayala reception entailed the use of district funds for catering, although refreshments were served. The district's catering records were not available at press time.

Kelleher has not responded to several recent requests for an interview from the *News-Ledger*.

The alleged political reception becomes more interesting in light of the fact that several local school principals refused a local community group the opportunity to distribute surveys about Kelleher's job performance in district employee's mailboxes. These principals cited a law prohibiting the use of district property for "political" purposes.

Bond oversight committee: inactive at the moment

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

Although Washington Unified School District has yet to sell the $17.5 million in school bonds authorized by voters in 1999, it has "pre-spent" over $800,000 in bond money. The money includes an estimated $818,531 in architectural fees necessary to "get in line" for matching state money.

But voters expecting a citizen oversight committee to be watching either these expenditures or the selection of the architect might be disappointed. Although an oversight committee was promised as part of the school bond measure, one hasn't played a role in any of the bond decisions so far.

"The status of the committee is that we met once and couldn't even establish a chairperson," said oversight committee member Mike Bowman, a certified public accountant. "We were really gung-ho to get together and then there were some issues regarding the Brown Act (which governs public meetings) and whether we were a public committee. I was told in the beginning we'd meet an hour a week, and they now want us to be involved on a daily basis."

Bowman said that he and many others on the committee do not want to have a deep time commitment, and that "I have no intention to be chairman of a public committee."

There is no meeting schedule, and no currently planned meeting for the group at present.

School superintendent Dr. Dennis Kelleher has not returned recent calls from the *News-Ledger*, but Assistant Superintendent James Sweeney was asked the status of the oversight committee and whether it had participated in the school board's recent bond-related decisions.

"I haven't heard from them," replied Sweeney. "It seems like we should contact them."

High school paper inside; will take summer vacation

This issue of the *News-Ledger* includes a six-page edition of River City High School's *Review* newspaper.

This is the final edition of the *Review* for the current school year; it will return in late September.

The *Review* is written and produced solely by the journalism class staff of the high school, and is published by the *News-Ledger* as a service to the school and community.

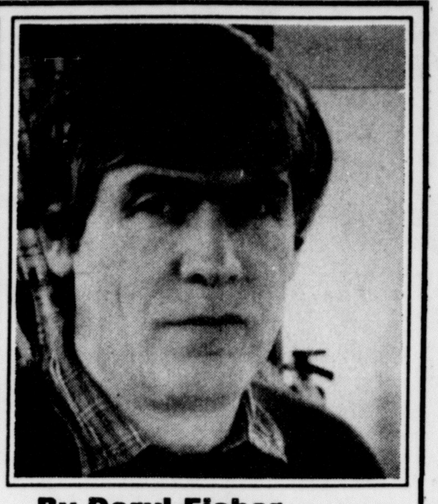
Tunes & syrup



Music & pancakes were featured along West Sacramento's Riverwalk, as the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce helped sponsor a 'Jazzy Pancakes' breakfast. The event was timed for the Sacramento International Jazz Festival over the weekend. (Photo courtesy of the Chamber)

Attending a River Cats baseball game is great fun

My Back Pages



By Daryl Fisher

Like just about everyone else in West Sacramento, my wife and I recently attended our very first River Cats baseball game. The price of the tickets was definitely reasonable (a friend gave them to me for free) and it didn't take us long to realize that Raley Field truly is a beautiful minor league ballpark. It's modern but intimate, has a wonderful view of the Money Store pyramid, Tower Bridge and the Sacramento skyline (at least from Section 119, where we were sitting), and on the balmy night we attended, there was even a gorgeous full moon parked high above the right field foul pole. Someone told me Raley Field was the second most expensive to build minor league field in the nation (he said Buffalo, NY is number one), and I believe it.

On the down side, though, one beer from a crowded concession stand at Raley Field costs almost as much as a six-pack from a grocery store; hot dogs and sodas shouldn't sell for what they do at new Pac-Bell Park in San Francisco (this is the minor leagues, remember); and although I had one of my sons drop us off and pick us up near the front entrance (the first good use I've ever found for a cell phone), I'm sure all the poor people who had to pay $6 to park in some of West Sacramento's finest dirt considered that a little exorbitant.

As for the action on the field, my wife and I unwittingly chose a great game to attend (River Cats first baseman Paul Sorrento hit a grand slam homerun before we had barely settled into our seats) and with the home team ahead by six runs at the end of the very first inning, there was ample opportunity to tune out the game and jot down a few of the following observations:

Some of the very friendly Raley Field employees in straw hats who were helping people find their seats actually dusted the seats off before you sat down, too. One even wiped up a puddle of spilled beer in the aisle next to me.

Dinger the mascot looks a little more like a lion than a River Cat to me. Then again, since no one really knows what the heck a River Cat is, much less what one looks like, I guess I could be wrong about that.

There's a tiny, $10,000 "hit it here hole" bullseye painted above the left field fence that would take an act of God to strike with a batted baseball.

Between innings, there's way too much entertainment going on. For instance, there was a "Let's Make A Deal" contest where some unlucky fan chose box number 2, which resulted in him being awarded a rubber chicken; there was a "Throw A Sacramento Bee On The Porch" contest, which some man failed to come close to accomplishing even though he was given three chances; and there was a hand-held "Hot Dog Cannon" that shot packaged wieners up into the stands and resulted in fans almost killing each other trying to catch one of the darn things.

Back on the bright side of things, I got to see former major league baseball players Roy White (Yankees) and Greg "Moon Man" Minton (Giants), who were coaches for the visiting Edmonton team; the 10,000-plus fans made a heroic, although ultimately unsuccessful attempt at starting a "wave"; and West Sacramento's own Art Schroeder, whose day job is doing community relations work for the City, was the Public Announcer and he did a great job of announcing the players of both teams before each at-bat. Plus he was excellent at firing up the fans and doing all the other goofy stuff ("Okay, everyone, now I wanna hear a really loud River Cat roar!") that a good minor league baseball PA is required to do.

Best of all, though, was something that happened in the first inning, just before the River Cats Paul Sorrento hit his grand slam. As I was looking out on the field, admiring all the beautiful green outfield grass and the perfectly manicured infield, Art Schroeder suddenly announced that if Sorrento, who was strolling to the plate, happened to hit a home run, then "Susan Carter will become our first contestant to get a chance to win a brand new $140,000 West Sacramento home in a drawing which is going to be held at the end of the season!" (or words to that effect)

"Do you think that could be *our* Susan Carter?" I turned and asked my wife.

"You mean our neighbor who served with you on the School Board?" she asked me. "I don't know? I guess it could be."

"I'm sure Art said Susan Carter," I said, "and just how many Susan Carters can there be?"

"Maybe it's a Susan Carter from the other side of the river?" suggested my wife.

"Well," I said, "I guess it doesn't really matter, because no way is Sorrento going to hit a grand slam in the very first inning of the very first game I see at Raley Field."

Those poorly thoughtout words were barely out of my mouth when Sorrento swung as hard as he could and deposited the baseball far over the right field fence.

A few evenings later, I happened to see Susan Carter walking with one of her daughters and I quickly pulled my truck up next to her, rolled down my window and said, "Susan, that wasn't you that picked Paul Sorrento to hit that home run for the River Cats, was it?"

"It sure was!" she said with obvious pride.

"But how did you know to pick him?" I asked with interest. "Was it because he was the cleanup hitter that night, or because he's a former major league player?"

"Actually," admitted Susan with a big smile, "I didn't really know anything about the guy. In fact, when they first asked me to be in the contest, I picked one of the River Cats pitchers, but since they don't get to hit very often, they told me to pick again. So my husband suggested I should look on the program and pick someone who had some weight on him, figuring that big guys probably hit more home runs than skinny guys. Now is that wonderful husband of mine a smart man or what?"

So, not only is beautiful Raley Field and Triple-A baseball in West Sacramento to stay, but the next time I go to a game, I've got to ask Art Schroeder how to get myself into that "Win a new house contest", and then figure out if there are any River Cats players who are fatter than Paul Sorrento.

OBITUARIES

Melvin J. Hilger

Melvin Hilger died at home in West Sacramento on May 21, 2000. He was the beloved husband of 47 years to Winnell Hilger; the loving father of Karen (husband, Russell) Eckman, Ronald Hilger, & Ranae (husband, Timothy) Heffron; and the devoted grandfather of Jason, Aaron, Randi, Shane, Ryan & Matthew.

A retired butcher by trade, Melvin had also worked for a time with the Salt Lake City Police Department, training police dogs. He was a past coach and current sponsor of the West Sacramento Girls Softball League.

A native of Illinois and a 39 year resident of West Sacramento, Melvin was 70 years old. He will be greatly missed by all those who knew and loved him.

Memorial Services were held on May 26th at River Cities Funeral Chapel. Memorials are preferred to the Make-a-wish Foundation, 1450 Harbor Blvd., W. Sac., CA 95691.

Helen Stewart

Helen Stewart died at home in West Sacramento on May 26, 2000. She was the loving sister of Elizabeth V. Meagher of Binghamton, NY, and is survived by numerous nieces & nephews. She was a native of Barnsburrow, Pennsylvania, a resident of West Sacramento for 50 years, and 93 years old at the time of her passing.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held for Helen on May 30th in Our Lady of Grace Church. Interment will be at Slovak Catholic Cemetery, Binghamton, NY.

Elaine Foster

Elaine Foster died at home in West Sacramento on May 25, 2000. She was the beloved wife of the later Carlton Foster; the loving mother of Patricia Foster, and Robert (wife Billi Hanlon) Foster; and the dear sister of Jean Olson & Alvie Rooks. She is survived by nieces Sheri, Karen & Dianne, and was preceded in death by sister Velma Rooks.

A native of Idaho and a 42 year resident of West Sacramento, Elaine was 72 years old.

Friends are invited to attend funeral services Wednesday, May 31, 2000 at 9:30 A.M. in the River Cities Funeral Chapel. Interment will be at East Lawn Cemetery, 43rd & Folsom Blvd. Memorials are preferred to your charity of choice.

Thomas R. Jones

Thomas Jones was born on October 19, 1947 in San Francisco, California and passed away in his West Sacramento home on May 12, 2000. He was the son of Wanda Legard and the nephew of Leo Legard of San Jose. He was also the father of Tom Jones of San Jose and Aron of Japan, and the brother of Steve Jones of Colorado and Karla Henry of West Virginia. He is survived by many nieces and nephews and his companion of eleven years, Patricia Fritchie and her daughters, Robyn, Paula, and Larissa and her immediate family.

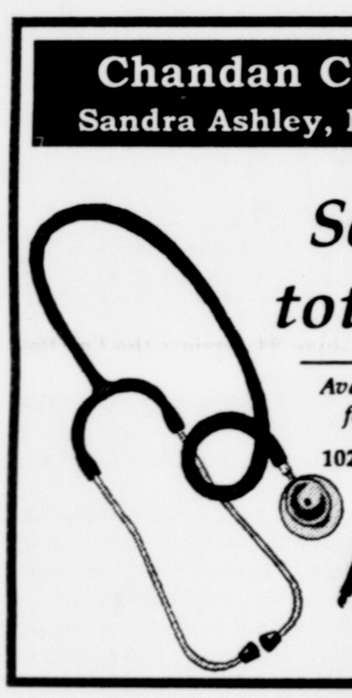
Mr. Jones will be missed dearly by those who knew him. No funeral service was held by request of the deceased.

George V. Logan

George Logan passed away in Sacramento on May 21, 2000 at the age of 58 years. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Elli Logan.

George was a retired stock broker working for the firm of Wedbush, Noble & Cook, Inc. of Los Angles. He and Elli had been living in West Sacramento for two years. Local arrangements were made under the direction of the River Cities Funeral Chapel of West Sacramento. Private burial will take place in the San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery.

Chandan Cheema, M.D.
Sandra Ashley, Nurse Practitioner



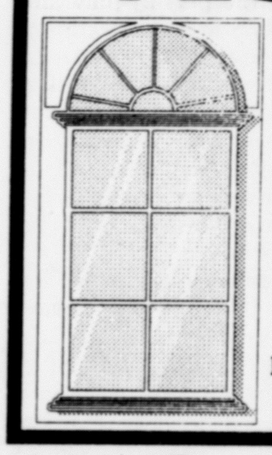
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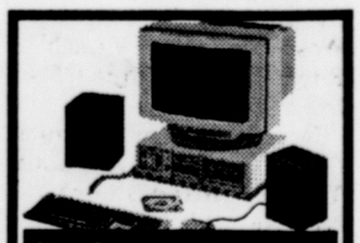


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SPORTS

First Tacoma run Saturday came from bad-call foul ball

By Richard Novoa

The Sacramento River Cats (29-23) faced some tough pitching this weekend during their holiday weekend five game series with Tacoma. On Saturday night Rainiers left-handed pitcher Ryan Anderson, who stands 6 foot 11 ½, struck-out 8 Cats in 5 innings of work. The game was 1-0 until Tacoma's middle of the line-up struck pay dirt with three consecutive home runs to left field. The Rainiers won the game 4-0. The Rio Gatos bounced by on Sunday wining 5-4.

On Monday the River Cats fans were treated to some major league baseball when Oakland A's John Jaha appeared on rehabilitation assignment in Sacramento. The Cats won 2-1 with Jaha supplying all the runs scoring the winning run after tying the game with a double into the right-center alley.

Jaha delighted the 11,659 fans with his headfirst dive into third base. Jaha continued to delight the fans after the game by signing autographs for the young and old on the outfield grass. The Sacramento fans were also treated to Raley Field's first controversial play. In the 6th inning, Tacoma's third baseman Chris Snopek hit a deep fly ball into the left field seats that was ruled fair by the umpiring crew and Snopek was awarded a home-run giving the Rainiers a 1-0 lead.

I was sitting near the left field foul pole and it was foul by four feet! The fans had a great time ribbing the umpires with every foul ball call. It was a great day at the ballpark!

Pitcher Luis Viscaino is back with the Cats and Adam Piatt and Scott Service were called up and reported to the A's on their East Coast trip. Jose Ortiz has been switched to second base and leads the Pacific Coast League with 69 hits and a .338 batting average. Ortiz also leads the team with 8 home runs. The Cats will finish out their current home stand on Wednesday (12:15 p.m.) before heading out to Oklahoma City (Rangers Triple-A team). Los Gatos will return on Monday, June 3 for the start of an eight game home stand.

For ticket information call 447-HITS.

The Lakers opened a 3-1 lead on Portland as the series heads back to Los Angeles. The Shaq has involved his teammates in the two wins in Portland over the Holiday weekend. Glenn Rice finally woke up and scored 21 points on his birthday to lead the Lakers over the stunned Blazers. It's do or die for the Blazers on Tuesday night.

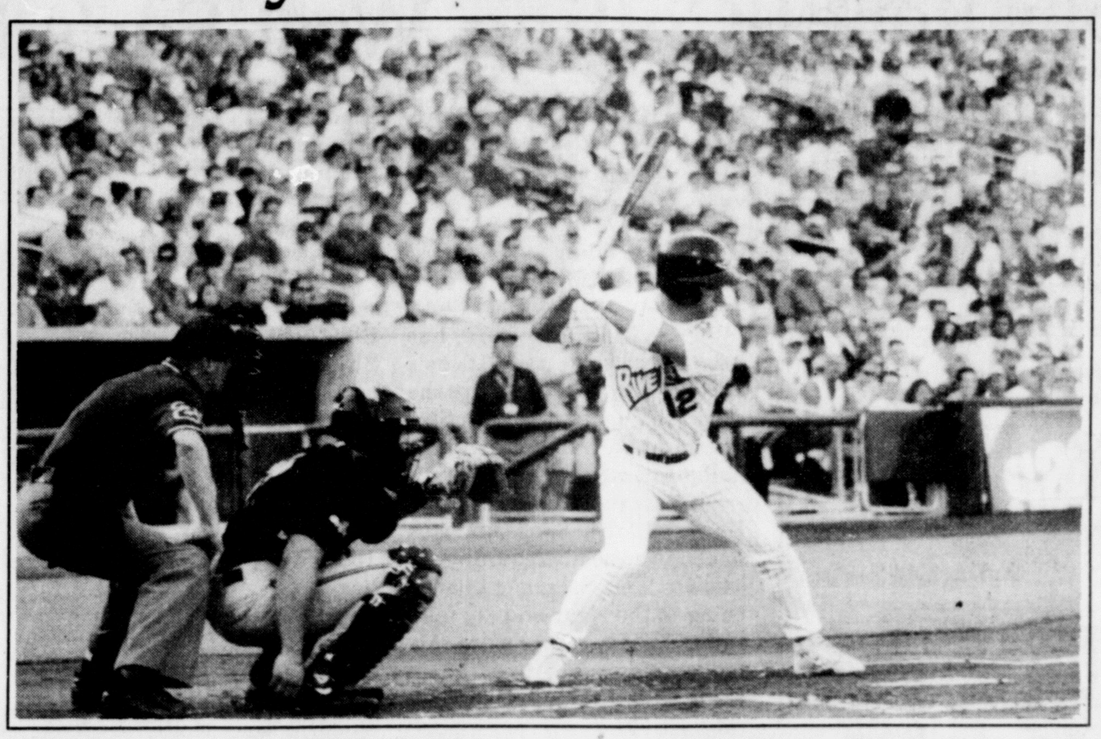
In the East the New York Knicks have evened the series at 2-2 against Larry Bird and the Pacers. The Pacers won the first two games in Indiana but where ambushed by the Knicks walking wounded in New York's Madison Square Garden. Pat Ewing is hurt again, Marcus Camby is day to day with a bad knee and Latrell Sprewell is playing with a broken bone in his foot. Game five moves back to Indiana on Wednesday and then it's back to the big apple for game 6 and if necessary game seven will be played in Indiana Sunday.

Somebody has to win one on the road! I still like the Knicks in seven. If the Pacers lose this series look for Bird will step down as head coach and some the veterans will be looking for new employment opportunities.

Stacy Dragila, who attended Placer High School, set an outdoor world pole-vault record Friday night in Phoenix. Dragila, 29, will be competing at the U.S. Olympic Trials in July in Sacramento, cleared 15 feet, 1-¾ inches. Stacy, who already holds the world indoor record, tied the world
outdoor record two weeks ago in Modesto.

The Sacramento Monarchs' home opener at the Arco Arena is set for Wednesday, May 31 against the Seattle Storm. Tip off is at 7 p.m. The Monarchs have 17 home games and season tickets start for as little as $136 per seat. Call (916) 928-3650 for more ticket information.

See ya next week!!



Second-baseman Frank Menechino -- shown here at bat last Monday at Raley Field -- was among those called up to the parent-team Oakland A's last week (Photo by Barry Blacklaw)

River City High names its athletic award-winners for spring

The following River City High School athletes were recently honored for their achievements at the school's annual Spring Sports Banquet:

Softball:

JV: **Leanna McBride** (Best Offensive Player); **Valentina Osborn** (Best Defensive Player).

Varsity: **Casey Slagerman** (Best Offensive Player); **Delilah Arch** (Best Defensive Player); **Gloria Salas** (Coach's Award).

Baseball:

JV: **Katie Koell** (Most Improved); **Stephen Marquez** (MVP); **Mike Foust** (Best Defensive Player); **Marc Magdaleno** (Best Offensive Player); **Eric Snyder** (Team Leader).

Varsity: **Arnold Mendes** (MVP); **Mort Geivett** (Team Captain).

Track:

JV: **Jenny Smith** (Coach's Award); **Michael Westervelt** (Most Valuable Runner); **Brad Engle** (Most Improved).

Varsity: **Vincent Marquez** (Most Improved); **Marshaun Tate & Malfred Shaw** (Co-Most Valuable Runners)

Swimming:

Alex Villalobos (MVP); **Jason DeMars** (Rookie of the Year); **Anthony Farnworth** (Most Improved).

Stacey Paige (MVP); **Ivy Branaman** (Rookie of the Year); **Olivia DeMars** (Most Improved).

Soccer:

Brittny Farris (Freshman MVP); **Natalie Prjevlotzky** (Freshman Most Improved).

JV: **Leslee Thompson** (MVP); **Rebecca Fuentes** (Most Improved).

Varsity: **Chansamone Lattasima** (MVP); **Alexandria Lokteff** (Most Improved).

Golf:

Ryan Metzer (Coach's Award); **Kevin Gereghty** (Most Improved).

Other awards included:

Malfred Shaw (Male Senior Athlete).

Delilah Arch (Female Senior Athlete).

Eric King, Arnold Mendes & Aurelio Vasquez (Baseball All-League).

Mort Geivett, Ray Ynostroza & Jason Weldon (Baseball Honorable Mention).

Jon Daniel, Gary Harmon & John Shelley (Golf All-League).

Tim Hanagan (Golf Coach of the Year).

Chansamone Lattasima & Courtney Yeargin (Soccer All-League).

Nikki Hansen & Vanessa Bigornia (Soccer Honorable Mention).

Casey Slagerman & Delilah Arch (Softball All-League).

Stacey Kasting (Softball Honorable Mention).

Alex Villalobos & Courtney Usrey (Swimming All-League).

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River Cats pick a TV team, set 2000 broadcast schedule

The Sacramento River Cats announced last week that Rim Roye and Bip Roberts have been hired as the play-by-play and color broadcasters, respectively, for eight River Cats games to be televised on KMAX-TV in Sacramento (UPN 31) this season.

Roye is currently radio play-by-play announcer for the Golden State Warriors and hosts a weekly Warriors radio show. He spent six seasons broadcasting for the Sacramento Kings. In addition to the new television broadcasts, he will do two innings of radio play-by-play for the River Cats during each of the TV games while radio play-by-play man Jeff Walker covers the television broadcast for the two innings.

Roberts, a 12-year major leaguer (including a .323 hitting season with the Reds) has broadcast Pac 10 baseball games.

The River Cats' television schedule is:

June 5, against the Calgary Cannons;

June 24, against the Las Vegas Stars;

July 8 against the Salt Lake Buzz;

July 14 against the Frezno Grizzlies

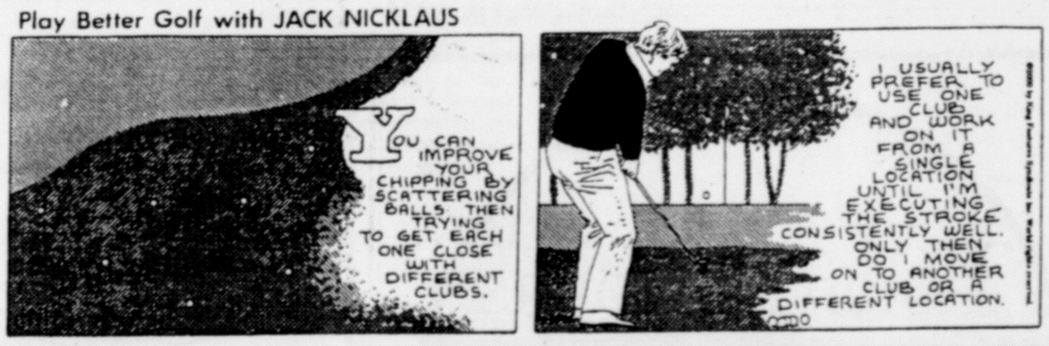
July 28 against the Iowa Cubs;

Aug. 5, the Tucson Sidewiners;

Aug. 15, Salt Lake Buzz; and

Aug. 26, Las Vegas Stars.

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By Daryl Fisher
Features Editor

William "Bill" Havey, Jr., has owned and operated Havey's Barber Shop since 1987, but the shop itself has been a West Sacramento landmark for almost half-a-century.

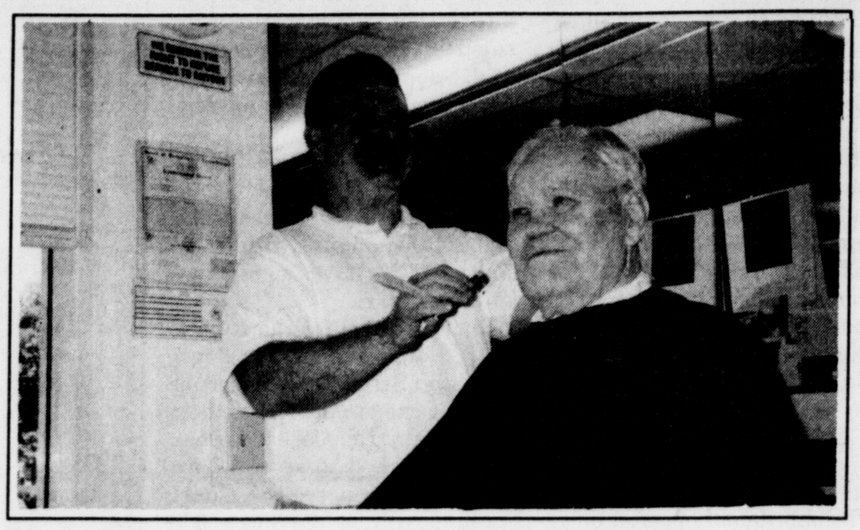
"My father first opened Havey's Barber Shop way back in 1954," remembered Bill. "He came to West Sacramento after being in the Navy and my family has lived here ever since. My father was very involved in Little League and other community activities and ever since I can remember, the barber shop was always full of interesting people getting their hair cut. I got my first work experience at the old West Capitol location, shining shoes for a dollar a pair when I was only 10-years-old."

The first Havey's Barber Shop was on Merkley Avenue, then it moved to two different locations on West Capitol Avenue before Bill decided to upgrade the shop once again in 1993.

"Now we're located just a couple of doors down from La Bou and right across the way from Gorman's," explained Bill, "and business has never been better. I've got a great group of young barbers working for me and they're all up-to-date on the latest techniques and cuts. Styles are always changing, depending on what's going on in New York and Los Angeles, or in the movies, or on television, and it's really important to keep up with trends and fashions. They say the young are supposed to learn from the old, but let me tell you, these young guys are teaching me new things all the time."

When Bill was school age, he attended Our Lady of Grace School throughout the elementary grades, went to Westacres School for 7th and 8th grade, and then graduated from River City High School in 1979.

"After high school," recalled Bill, "I got a job at Shakey's pizza and worked there for about four years, but there wasn't much of a future in that business, so in 1983 I went to barber college in downtown Sacramento for a year and then finally bought the barber shop from my mother in 1987. With the help of Ray Yamat, who was a very popular barber with Havey's for many years, she had been running the shop since my father's death in 1975. Being the wonderful person she is, she made me an offer I couldn't refuse, and it's hard to believe that's been almost 15 years ago."



BILL HAVEY with customer ALVY ROOKS

In addition to Ray Yamat, there have been quite a few barbers who have worked for Havey's over the years that have become very popular with West Sacramentans in need of a good haircut.

"It's hard to name just a few," said Bill, "but in addition to Ray, we've had some great barbers work at Havey's, including Danny Dunsmore, Tom Barns, Gilbert De La Cruz, and Mike Moss. It's really common for a customer to like a haircut he gets at the shop and then return to the same barber for years and years, sometimes even for decades. To tell you the truth, that's part of the fun of being a barber, getting to cut the same person's hair over and over again. Plus before you know it, you're cutting that person's son's hair, and then the son's son. I can even remember a day when I cut the hair of four generations of the Ed Chambers family, including the great-grandfather, the grandfather, the father, and the son. They all came in at the same time and that was really something."

Bill says that the hardest part of being a barber has never really changed.

"Before you get those lifelong customers," explained Bill with a smile, "you have to cut their hair for the very first time, and when they're only a few months or even a few years old, some of them don't much like it. They squirm out of their parent's arms, get juice from the lollipop I give them all over the place, and sometimes even scream bloody murder. Over the years I've learned to cut as fast as I can in those situations, but it's still not much fun to be a part of a poor little guy hating his first haircut."

Bill considers himself very lucky to have gotten into the haircutting business when he did.

"When I first started," said Bill, "the long hair craze was pretty much over and thankfully, shorter cuts are still the most popular. It's definitely a lot better for business if someone needs their hair cut every two weeks instead of every two months or every two years."

In addition to Bill, the other barbers at Havey's are Ruben and Jorge Nunez, Jeff Bell, David Martinez, and Joe Snovel.

"They really are a great group of guys," said Bill, "and they definitely know what they're doing. I hope everyone who isn't already getting their haircuts at Havey's will drop by in the near future and see what I'm talking about. Our prices are very reasonable and we work very hard to make sure the customer gets the exact haircut he wants."

Reflecting back on the fact that the little barber shop his father opened up almost fifty years ago is still going strong, Bill said, "The barber shop business has been awfully good to me and my family and I think my father would be very proud to know that Havey's Barber Shop is still in West Sacramento and still providing a good living for members of his family. Sometimes it's a lot of hard work, but I wouldn't be a bit surprised if Havey's Barber Shop is still here in another 50 years. I sure hope so!"

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The following person is doing business as Parker Enterprises, 1633 Delta Dr., Woodland CA 95695:

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/s/Mike Parker

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The following person is doing business as Immediate Supplies, 2505 5th St. #132, Davis, CA 95616:

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/s/Matthew Kynard
/s/Glen Gruner

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The following person is doing business as Argus Technologies, LLC, 2657 Portage Bay East #5, Davis, CA 95616:

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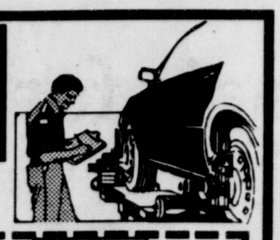
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Apr 19, 2000
File No. 2000-300
The following person is doing business as Gloria's Country Care, 34606 State Hwy 16, Woodland CA 95695:
Gloria Garcia and Jose L. Garcia, same address as above.
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/s/Jose L. Garcia
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The following person is doing business as DLC Trucking, 2024 Aster Ave., West Sacramento CA 95691:
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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YOLO
In the Matter of CHRISTOPHER SALAZAR, Minor.
NO. JR-98-00458
AMENDED CITATION
TO: Curtis Reynolds, Ray Raymond Ruiz and All Persons Claiming to be the Father of the Minor:
YOU ARE HEREBY CITED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR at a hearing in Yolo County Superior Court, 725 Court Street, Department 7, Woodland, California, 95695, on June 16, 2000, at 9:00 a.m. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to permanently terminate your parental rights over the above-named minor child born to Victoria Leah Salazar on May 3, 1993. If you wish to be represented by an attorney and are unable to afford one, the Court will appoint an attorney to represent you.
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/s/THOMAS E. WARRINER
JUDGE OF THE JUVENILE COURT
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
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The following person is doing business as Court Side Café, 1341 Gum Ave., Woodland CA 95695:
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/s/Tony Sierra
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The following person is doing business as Mando's Lawn Care, 741 East St., #353, Woodland CA 95776:
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The following person is doing business as Aztec Janitorial Services, 117 W. Main St., Suite 2, Woodland CA:
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The following person is doing business as Azteca Building Maintenance, 117 W. Main St., Suite #2, Woodland CA 95695:
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Some believe that keeping an elderberry in the pocket protects against poison ivy.

Friends of Lopes take 'Time Out' to celebrate his 60th

By Jeanette Keith
News-Ledger Correspondent

In the late '60s, '70s, and '80s, Johnny's Time Out, owned by Johnny Lopes, was *the* gathering place for the over-21-crowd who grew up in West Sacramento. On the afternoon of May 20, approximately 100 people were transported back in time as the Silver Spur Saloon was transformed into the old Johnny's Time Out. The occasion was a celebration put together by Johnny's wife, Ester, and son, Jay, to honor Johnny's 60th birthday.

As DJ's Sylvester and Steven Gilmete played music from the '60s and '70s, old friends were reunited and the phrase heard most often was, "Do you remember?" Couples like Judy and Tom Zito, who had danced at Johnny's Time Out during their courtship, reminisced with old friends. And former Johnny's bartenders Eddy Robins and Chuck O'Hare ordered drinks rather than serve them as they talked and laughed over the good old days.

Johnny was called forward to sit in a chair placed on the dance floor as a steady stream of old friends took the microphone to tell "Johnny stories."

Life-long friends Larry Novelli and wife Barbara came up from Carmel, and Larry Atloff and wife Patty came down from Pollock Pines to attend the celebration. Both Larry's made everyone laugh with stories of growing up with Johnny. Larry Atloff ended by saying, "I'm proud to call him my friend." And Larry Novelli told the gathering, "Johnny is one of the most loyal people I know."

As one speaker after another honored Johnny, their speeches all had one thing in common; the message of Johnny's loyalty and friendship.

Johnny, who had not stopped smiling all afternoon, finally took the microphone and after thanking everyone for coming, he added his own thoughts; "I always hoped I could be half the man my dad was. I guess I made it. I'm half the man."

There were many surprises during the course of the celebration, but the biggest one came from the West Sacramento Police Department. Bringing everyone back to the present, a sobriety check point was set up on West Capitol Avenue, just outside of Johnny's Time Out. Happy 60th birthday, Johnny!



CELEBRANTS OF JOHNNY LOPES' 60th congregate outside for a picture, as W.S.P.D. sets up 'Sobriety Checkpoint' outside 'Johnny's Time Out'

Local schools put together music fest at 'Showcase 2000'

The music program in the Washington Unified School District has been growing and has had many successes in the last few years. On Saturday, May 13 at River City High School, Showcase 2000, a district-wide music festival was a case in point. All of the schools from the district participated, including the Beginning Bands and Intermediate-Advanced Bands from Alyce Norman, Bryte, Elkhorn Village, Evergreen, Southport, Westfield, and Westmore Oaks Elementary schools. Golden State Middle School's Symphonic and Concert Band, and River City High School's Concert Band and it's jazz group, the Syncopating Sea Monkeys, also participated, as did the choirs from Alyce Norman, Golden State, and River City.

Showcase 2000 exhibited a quality music festival. There were three concert sights in which each performing group displayed their musical talents. The venues included the gym, the cafeteria, and the music room. Each band and choir was accommodated with a large, attentive audience and the music performed by each group was of high quality and musicality.

WUSD teachers who worked hard to put the festival together included Felicia Greenwood of River City, Duane Anderson and Wendy Hubbard of Golden State, Tania Lilich of Alyce Norman, Kurt Pearsall of Evergreen, Southport, Westmore Oaks and Westfield, and Delores Henson of Alyce Norman, Bryte, Elkhorn and Westfield.

The administration from the district office, principals, parent volunteers and snack bar workers were also very responsible in the realization of Showcase 2000, and Showcase 2001, complete with visual arts, more performing arts, and possibly a cultural venue is already in the planning stage.



WUSD school bands get together for 'Showcase 2000'



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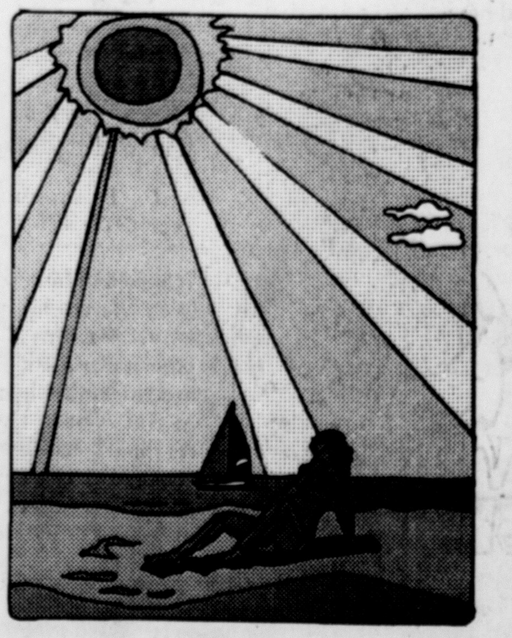
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Updates and Briefs

Two students to have poems published

Two River City students will soon be published writers! Freshman Natalya Marchenko and senior Leesa Aragon both submitted poems to a poetry contest. Both were selected for publication.

The poems will be published in a book called *A Celebration of Young Poets* that will be released sometime in November. Prize money is available to the authors of the best poems that are yet to be chosen.

By Ivy Branaman

Seniors to attend four- year universities

We now have at least 24 seniors attending four-year universities. A congratulations goes out to Mo Salman for being accepted to Humboldt State.

By Jennifer Fiddler

Class officers for next year have been selected

Class officers for the '00-'01 school year have been selected, though elections will not take place for next year since all candidates were unopposed.

Associated student body president is Sara Penrod. Ebony Johnson is ASB vice president.

Senior class president is Mugeda Ferouz with Rebekah Marshall serving as vice president.

Shevelini Surat and Saleshni Sharma are junior class president and vice president, respectively.

Class of '03 president is Laura Carter with Bridgette Tacdol as vice president.

Freshman class officers were not available at press time.

By Coty A. Marshall

Yearbook editor-in-chief chosen

Kelsi Brewer, a junior, has been chosen to be editor-in-chief of the 2000-2001 yearbook. Yearbook adviser Ms. Allan said, "I expect she will be a strong leader with an excellent sense of vision for next year's yearbook."

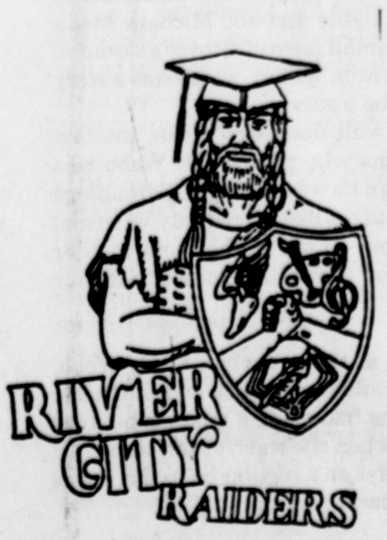
By Ivy Branaman

Ashley Gully wins $550 in Rotary Speech contest

On May 5 River City junior Ashley Gully traveled to Tahoe to compete in the Rotary Club speech competition where her speech took third place.

Getting to the area finals Ashley competed at the local level and won $100 and then she went on to district where she won $200. In all, Ashley took home $550 which she will put toward her college education.

By Olivia De Mars



Two River City teachers nominated for awards

By Shelley Tuttle
Staff Writer

This year two River City teachers, Mrs. Higgins and Mrs. Connolly, were nominated for Disney's American Teacher Awards. This is a special honor given to teachers across the country who have a creative and inventive teaching style that is worthy of recognition. The awards were started in 1989 by none other than the popular Walt Disney Company. Anonymous members of the community the teacher works in make the nominations for the award. This was the first year any R.C. teachers were nominated for this award.

Mrs. Higgins, who has taught math at R.C. for nine years, is "very, very flattered" by the Disney nomination. "I'd love to know who nominated me so I could thank them," Mrs. Higgins said. When asked why she thought she was nominated, Mrs. Higgins's couldn't say exactly. "I have no idea why I was nominated over the other teachers here at River City. I don't feel I work any harder than other teachers here at R.C. We all work hard and care very much about the students," she said.

Mrs. Connolly, who teaches all of River City's French classes, has been involved in the French language for a long time, and even participated in exchange programs during high school and college. This year she coordinated an exchange program so French students could visit America and see our community. Mrs. Connolly was also flattered by the award. "It felt good to know that someone in the community realizes that I care about my students. I know the students can tell I really do care."

If either teacher is lucky enough to be one of the 30 teachers to go up for the most outstanding teacher of the year, they will be flown to Disney World in Orlando, Florida and be featured on the Disney Channel. There, they could receive money that would be given to the school for academic funding. When asked what they would do with the money, the teachers both agreed it would be used to help the students. "I don't know what I would do exactly, but I know I'd give it back to the students," said Mrs. Higgins.

"I'd get air conditioning in the classrooms and a new copy center that T.A.s could use," Mrs. Connolly said, "and I'd also be sure to get River City a language lab."

A deep and warm thank you to those who have nominated us for the Disney American Teacher Awards. We only wish we could personally thank you, but the nominations are anonymous. We are both humbled and honored by the recognition.

Carol Higgins and Judy Connollly



Leah Riggs excitedly sits in a Humvee during the Career Fair

Students have mixed reactions toward Career Fair

By Ivy Branaman
Staff Writer

"It made me think of what I want to do in the future. It gave me a lot of ideas of what I want to be," said freshman Katie Cañas about River City's Career Fair Day. On May 11 businesses from West Sacramento and Sacramento came to the school and set up booths for the 45-minute fair. River City's sixth Career Fair brought forty presenters and mixed reactions from students.

Everyone from Bank of America to 107.9,The End, Radio station presented information on the careers their businesses offer. Frisbees, stickers, and even CDs were given away to students. The information given to students was intended to help them with their career choice. Some presenters, however, chose not to show up. "I was disappointed in the people who didn't come but overall [the Career Fair] went well," said Ms. Rodland, the Career Information Specialist.

While many students found the information to be helpful, others did not. Senior Raymond Martinez complained, "There was no helicopter, no good colleges, and no food."

Despite the many booths, many students felt that there were not enough careers to choose from. Regardless, students left satisfied with free stuff and teachers left satisfied with a free period.

Ms. Luttrell spent two days in Guatemala to adopt little girl

By Ivy Branaman
Staff Writer

Imagine stepping off a plane in a foreign country to go meet and take home a child you will spend the next seventeen years raising. Terry Luttrell, an English teacher here at RC, did just that. In April, she made the eight-hour plane ride to Guatemala to pick up her adopted child, Sarah Joselin.

Ms. Luttrell spent all of her time in Guatemala at the hotel, embassy or airport. She spent two nights in the country, but those two nights she spent waiting to take Sarah home were nothing compared to the year-long adoption process.

"It was exciting to get to see her for the first time, but I was also nervous," Ms. Luttrell said of her first meeting with Sarah. Sarah's birth mother decided to put her up for adoption when she was a year old. Sarah's mother's family had all died during Hurricane Mitch and her mother could not raise her child alone. She decided it would be best for Sarah to be raised by someone else. For the past six months she was raised by foster parents.

"It is exhausting! I have never been this tired in my life," said Ms. Luttrell of her new role as a mother. Right now Sarah speaks only Spanish and while Ms. Luttrell would like her to learn English, she also doesn't want Sarah to lose the Spanish language. Ms. Luttrell speaks both Spanish and English to her daughter and plans to put her in a daycare where both languages are spoken.

For some, adoption is a long, tedious process that they are not willing to wait for. Ms. Luttrell, however, felt it was worth the wait. After all, "It was time to have a family of my own instead of my students," she explained. "I do appreciate my teaching job more now. My students go home somewhere else after school," she concluded.

River City students proud to celebrate Cinco de Mayo



Mexican dancers came to help celebrate Cinco de Mayo

By Ivy Branaman
Staff Writer

Cinco de Mayo was celebrated in full force this year at River City. MEChA decorated the quad and organized the food and activities for the day. A poster at the front of the school read "Happy Cinco de Mayo" and the rest of the quad was decorated with green, red, and white streamers. Other signs read "Chicano Pride" and "Feliz Fiesta" that contributed to the atmosphere that day.

For five dollars you could buy Mexican food that included burritos, Spanish rice, and beans. The food was authentically made. However, what made the day were the Mexican dancers, decked out in authentic Mexican dance costumes. When they were finished the fun didn't stop. MEChA members and other students continued to dance to Mexican music. "It made me fell cultured and I got to be Mexican for a day," said sophomore Jared Leisure.

Cinco de Mayo is often mistaken for the celebration of Mexico's victory over France at the battle of Puebla in 1862. Cinco de Mayo is not celebrated in Mexico, but Mexican-Americans celebrate it. Cinco de Mayo has come to represent a symbol of Mexican unity and patriotism.

"I was proud to have been a part of it and celebrate my Mexican culture," said MEChA co-chairman and member, Alex Villalobos. For many it was a day to celebrate their heritage and for others it was a day to celebrate and enjoy another culture.

Indoor air quality studied at River City

Provided by Kevin Clonce, Farm Saechao, Lou Saetern, and Sou Saetern

Tom Phillips of the California State Air Resources Board recently spoke to Ms. Hines' physics and technology class, which is doing a project on indoor air quality at River City High School.

Mr. Phillips gave the class an overview of the causes and effects of bad indoor air quality in the classroom, and helped the class list several possible sources of indoor air pollution including dust particles, pesticides, and other pollutants from various sources including vehicles idling next to heating and air conditioning units or open windows, leaking water that can cause mold to form, and gas leaks.

Mr. Phillips said poor air quality can cause headaches, dizziness, fatigue, respiratory problems, even cancers, and pointed out that current air quality regulations do not apply to students.

Move-up rally brings excitement and tears

By Coty A. Marshall
Staff Writer

Vitamin C's "Graduation" with our own seniors narrating played loudly as the class of 2000 made their last walk down the track. "I'm going to cry," was heard all around and some were crying. The class of 2000 cherished this; their last walk in front of all their peers, their last spirit rally, their last chance to show their purple pride.

RC's class of 2000 took the other classes by storm. They placed first. Sophomores took second, juniors third, and freshmen, fourth.

The traditional move-up was exciting and heartwarming as the seniors moved on to the football field and the classes moved up and were officially sophomores, juniors, or seniors. "Congratulations juniors! You are no longer underclassmen!" Sierra Beshears, ASB president, yelled. Some graduating seniors couldn't help but cry by now.

The class games all included farewells to the class of 2000.

RC students win academic awards

By Christian Lucero
Staff Writer

The awards night for the year has passed. Awards were handed out for journalism, perfect attendance, mock trial, and five academic subject areas. These awards "are to recognize the students that have achieved goals, academically," Mr. Hall said, to introduce the awards ceremony. Academic awards are as follows:

ENGLISH: 9th grade, Ivy Branaman; 10th grade, Sarah Metzer & Courtney Yeargin; 11th grade, Mugeda Ferouz

FRENCH: French 1, Nahdxyeli Valdez & Pang Vang; French 2, Brianne Vaughan & Norma Rios; French 3, Nadia Olivan

SPANISH: Spanish 1, Oliver Aceves, Mujtaba Hassanpur, Anna Cheechov & Carlos Gomez; Spanish 2, Emiliano Gayton, Jessica Estevez; Spanish 3, Erik Rodriguez, Araceli Cuellar, Maria Elena Martinez

MATH: Algebra 1, Amanda Carriker, Veronica Novinsky; Geometry, Brian Russo, Leanne Briggs, Crystal Koell; Algebra 2, William Clayton, Sou Ching Saetern & Lei Song, Ahmad Bashar; Math Analysis, Mugeda Ferouz, Tariq Yusufzai, John Reber

SOCIAL SCIENCE: US History, Igor Dykan, Maria Elena Martinez & Andrey Dykan, Shelvin William

SCIENCE: Physical Science, Benjamin Hanowell, Lizette Soto, David Ben

Biology, Silas Zbybel, Byron Groesbeck, Crystal Koell; Chemistry, Igor Dykan

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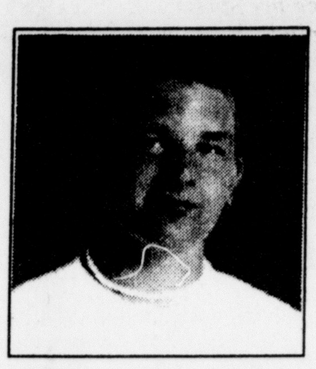
Question in the Quad

With the end of the year almost upon us and everyone thinking of all of the things we have accomplished and all the things we feel we need to improve on, *The Review*, asked... *What was your worst or best memorable moment of this year?* Answers included both happy and sad memories.



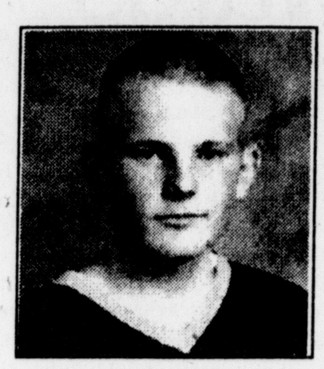
" When my baseball team won the championship this year."

Josh Zonneveld
Freshman



" When Mr. Rodriguez died."

Lee Dwyer
Sophomore



" When my girlfreind, surprised me with a cake and balloons for my birthday!"

James Hampton
Junior



" When I had to dress up as a boy for the battle of the sexes rally."

Misty Hocking
Senior

Christian takes you to the movies

By Christian Lucero
Staff Writer

Have you been to the movies lately? If so have you seen *Gladiator*, or *Where the Heart Is*? Here are my insights on them:

Gladiator- This movie was the best movie I have seen in a long time. *Gladiator* was basically like *Braveheart*. The tragedies and the war were similar. The special effects in this movie were also a plus. There was a part in this movie when Russel Crow was in the arena. He had two swords in his hands and chopped off this girl's head. That was my favorite part.

Now getting to the actual movie. Marcus Aurelius is the emperor of Rome (one of the Caesars) and he is trying to decide who his successor will be. Knowing that his son, Commodus, is too incompetent to rule Rome, he decides to choose Maximus as his successor. Commodus gets so mad that he kills his father, making Commodus the emperor. Maximus is soon arrested and now used as a slave as a Gladiator. He returns to Rome and the ending is *great. You'll have to see it for yourself. I give this movie 20 thumbs up and 20 great big stars.

Where the Heart Is-Novaly is pregnant. She and her boyfriend decide to move to Las Vegas. On the way there her boyfriend leaves her at a Wal Mart in Oklahoma. She knows no one there and she is left with no money. So she improvises and stays in Wal Mart.

She makes new friends and she builds her life there. I think that this movie is the most realistic movie I've seen lately (besides *Gladiator*). It deals with the human reality, more than most of the movies.

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—Our Voices—

With just a few schools days left, everyone is sad and happy remebering all the good times they have had this year. Here is the last parting words of the seniors staffers of *The Review*...

The good, the bad, and the unforgetable

The end is here and I look back at my years here at River City. The good, the bad, and the unforgettable.

Even though I'm glad to be leaving, it saddens me to look back at everything I have experienced here at River City.

It seems like it was just yesterday when I was a timid freshman entering a whole new world and now these doors are closing behind me and new ones await my arrival.

Throughout my years here at River City I have heard on several acations how much River City "sucks." I admit River City is not the best school, but it could be worse and I will dearly miss it. I have had great teachers throughout my four years and have made some of my best friends here.

Now I walk through the halls and realize that these will be the last few weeks I will ever walk through them. Soon I will be saying goodbye to it all.

It feels as though my life started here. Most of my memories are of my life here at River City. I have had a great time and I will miss it dearly.

By
Brandy Sherrill

OMG!! We're leaving

It dawned at me today at the rally. I remembered all the rallies I'd been to before, when the underclassmen say goodbye to the seniors, but now it's hit me: OMG!! We're leaving!!

When I look back upon my life, I'm sure I'll remember high school fondly, despite the way I've thought of this school in years past. It has, of course, been a major part of my life for the past four years, so I will miss it. I'll never see half these peeps again, and that's a good thing. But I'll cherish the memories of my friends forever. High school is full of rumors and drama, and it's just a small fraction of my life. Soon, I'll be in college, and then there's my career and personal life (Marriage! Scary!)

There have been times when I hated this school rotten due to things like poor education, attitudes, and fashion, but I'm gonna miss it! And when I look back on my life, I'll love it. I'll always cherish my memories of my friends, and they brighten my tarnished thoughts of River City.

This is the place I learned to love myself in, and become my own person. This is the place with so many firsts. This is the place I waited so long to leave. And now I bolt through a closing door on to bigger and better things.

I'm going to art college after this, and when I'm a famous fashion designer/rock star/British spy/photographer, I'll look back to River City and remember my friendships and periods of rebellion and smile.

By
Brianne Vaughan

Never forget all the fun memories

As I look back over the past four years, I can't help but laugh out loud and even shed a few tears. I have been lucky. I have had more good memories that bad ones. My friends have always kept me going and laughing. It's so hard to believe that the people I have practically known my entire life are leaving me. True, I might still see some of them in the store, but it won't be the same. We will start to grow apart. That's something I can't try to fix.

More importantly, I love the person that I see in the mirror. It never used to be that way. I have learned that the one person you should care about the most is yourself. You can't appreciate others until you appreciate yourself.

As I leave River City I want to thank all the teachers and friends that have helped me. To my friends I leave the courage to become anything you want. I will never forget all the good times we had together.

To the juniors, I know that you have heard this a lot, but next year is going to go by really fast. My advice is to do everything you can! You don't want to leave with any regrets. I won't!

By
Jennifer Fiddler

Letters to the Editor

Varsity softball angered by comments in last month's issue

We, the River City varsity softball team, would like to speak out in rebuttal to a statement made in an interview that appeared in the May issue of the River City Review. A disparaging remark was made toward the sport of softball stating the belief that only swimmers need to have "dedication, motivation, be outgoing, and work well under pressure."

This is an unfair assumption that only swimmers must have these attributes. All athletes, regardless of their chosen sport, must have these qualities in order to be successful. This statement is detrimental to the morale of every River City athlete and is in direct opposition to the philosophy of our school's athletic programs, which concerns the fact that all athletes should be given equal consideration.

All sports are of equal importance, all are played by very dedicated athletes, and all athletes deserve the respect and admiration they have earned through hard work, dedication, and a desire to play!

The River City Varsity Softball Squad

Junior varsity softball fires back

I am writing on behalf of the jv softball team in regard to the article, "Leesa Aragon dreams of swimming for Stanford" in the May 3 issue of The Review. In the article, Leesa was quoted as saying, "Swimming isn't for everyone. You have to be dedicated, motivated, outgoing, and perform well under pressure. Otherwise go play softball." We on the softball team found this to be extremely offensive, rude, and ignorant at best. Obviously, she has never played softball or she would have thought twice before saying that. To say that softball doesn't require dedication, motivation, or being able to perform well under pressure is uninformed. The girls on our team are at practice every day after school for at least two hours and, more often than not, even longer. We also spend a minimum of two hours every Saturday practicing.

We believe that softball requires more dedication than anything. While the swim team stays in a heated pool on the few practice days they have (as told to us by a swimmer), the softball players are in the hot sun and are running at least a quarter mile a day. When it rains, we play out in the mud and puddles. Girls on the softball team constantly have to play with injuries from being hit by a pitch or from sliding into a catcher at home plate that is trying to do whatever it takes to knock them away from that base. Many girls on our team this year have acquired extensive injuries.

I would like to see a swimmer try to play the game we do, and not complain about getting dirty or hurt. I'm not saying swimmers aren't competitive or even that they aren't athletes. But until we see those girls out on the field doing what we do every day without complaint, then they have no right to disrespect our players or coaches. To single out any sport at our school is totally uncalled for. Our school should support all sports and not argue between them or discourage any. Many people were very hurt and angry after what was said. Maybe it wasn't supposed to hurt anyone and she was trying to be funny, but we did not find it at all humorous. If you are going to say something that other people will hear about you should think about what you are saying first.

Furthermore, as far as "performing under pressure" goes, softball girls face that all the time. We have at least two two-hour games a week, not to mention tournaments. Girls on the softball team are just that, on a team. They have to work together on a daily basis while swimmers can win or lose a meet, but they don't understand teamwork like we do. Swimmers strive to beat their own time and in a sense are competing against themselves, while softball players count on each other and can't win anything unless it is together. I have to say I feel a little sorry for the girls who don't ever experience a victory with a team or the thrill you receive after pushing so hard and just pulling out the win. Team sports can give you such a sense of accomplishment that I hate to think that anyone would miss out on it. We just felt that we had to express our feelings.

Junior Varsity Softball

Our Town funny, sad, and enjoyable

By Brandy Sherrill
Co-Editor

It's the last performance of the school play. The auditorium is filled with family and friends. The lights dim and Michelle Mejia walks onto the stage describing the small town of Grover's Corners.

River City's play *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder, which was a story about life and death, turned out to be a success.

The students' acting was very well done except for the few "improvs." For instance, A.J. Beams who played Mr. Webb was mowing the lawn and acted as though he was wiping dog droppings off of his feet. There were a few mistakes like when Rudy Valencia, who played Dr. Gibbs, said, "You put on the clothes your mother wears." He was supposed to say "You put on the clothes that your mother washes for you."

My favorite part of the play was at the end when Emily Webb, played by Sarah Penrod, died and wanted to go back and watch one day of her life. She realized that she had made a mistake because hurt to watch life go on around her when she wasn't even seen.

I'm not a person who goes to see plays on a regular basis but it was enjoyable. It was funny, sad, and heartwarming.

Senior Wills

Ode to the class of 2000

Seniors long for this day,
But Graduation appeared so fast.
Caps and Gowns
take the place of the rallies and spirit days.
Anticipation and Fear
take the place of the comfort that we had at RC.
Tears and Laughter
take the place of the conversations heard in the halls.

There will never
be another Class of 2000.
Never again
Will the true Purple People Eater
Show his face in the quad.
Never again.
Will the Backstreet Boys
Sing at lunch.

Classes will try.
They will try so hard to out do us,
But there is one thing,
only one thing to remember.

There will never be another,
Class of 2000!!

-Jamie McCall

*I, **Robert Cervantes**, leave to all the underclassmen my game and skills. To all the cuties, I wish I could stay. To the guy who stole my leather jacket, just keep it. To the football teams, my Beat Colfax shirt. To Coach B, my love and respect. To my mom, good luck at R.C. I love you; this is soldier 22 signing off....*
Future: To succeed and become someone no one will forget.

*I, **Michael Trofimenko**, leave to all little Russian dudes all the cafeteria fights, all the weight lifting skills. Beat the school records! Get smart! Love God!*
Future: Attend UC Davis

*I, **Vitaly Gidenko**, leave to my friends; be strong and stand your ground. Be prepared for the worst times of your life in the future.*
Future: Study technology

*I, **Katie Beth**, leave to Sean, my love and weight room skills. Jared, my promise when you're 16. To Jeff, our memories and May 23. Buddy, all my love.... Hit me! Victoria, sorry but I leave you Sean. Cheerleaders, my skills and title.... Tear it up! All my memories behind me. Now to the future.*
Future: Work full time and take some classes at Sacramento City College.

*I, **Vlad Gavrilov**, leave to my cousin Smokee my books and my strength to succeed in high school. To all my Russian and American friends to be prepared for hard times and good times. Be cool and try hard.*
Future: To be come a computer programmer.

*I, **Tiffany DelMugnaio**, leave to all the underclassmen my wisdom and my intellectual power. To Max, my kind and lovable spirit and to my friends, my best wishes for the future.*
Future: Go to college and be successful in everything I do.

*I, **Natalya Mishchenko**, leave to my friends my faith in the Lord. To my cousins, my grades. You will need them. To everyone else, have faith and don't be scared to reach for your dreams. Have fun next year.*
Future: Computer programmer.

*I, **Denise Lee**, leave to "Chis" the life jackets, Samantha, my great taste in boys, Holly, my "dance," Bryon, lots of hugs and kisses, Chris P. my P.E. clothes, Laura, my float making abilities, to everyone else that matters, my honesty. To my friends, frowning only causes wrinkles.*
Future: Practice law and eventually become president of the United States.

*I, **Brooks Marino**, leave to Coach Baker the one game we couldn't win freshman year. To Blake, I leave all the friendships and good times. To all my friends, I leave my memories.*
Future: Move out and get a place with my friends.

*I, **Tim Cissney**, leave to seniors: keep ruling. Don't forget about the girls (boys). Good luck, all sports. Good luck, Jason Weldon.*
Future: Play soccer for American River.

*I, **Mario Santos**, leave to Amanda my heart and soul. Carlos, my skills on the field. See you later R.C.*
Future: Study electronics.

*I, **Sarah Lesiure**, leave to Jared Leisure my mistakes to learn from. Andrea Morgan, next year's power lifter title. Coach "B," my thanks for everything you've taught me. I'm eternally grateful. To Bridegette, my love and respect. To the rest of R.C., have fun.*
Future: Attend American River, get a degree in liberal arts.

*I, **Casey Slagerman**, leave to all my friends my love and tolerance; to Gloria, my softball skills; to my teachers, my dedication and to everyone else, my warm wishes and success.*
Future: Attend UC Davis, and major in animal science.

*I, **Ramon Avina**, leave to Dee Aguilar my heart; to Ron Mumi and Anthiny Cardenas I leave my status. To Andy Diaz, Eduardo Martinez, and Freddy Ponce I leave our table. To Mark Reyes I leave my lunch number. To everyone else, my foot steps to follow.*

*I, **Marshaun Tate**, leave to Iczert my love and friendship. To all the underclassmen: enjoy River City and all it has to offer.*

*I, **Frankie Medina**, leave to all my little cousins, a diet plan for Alex, my numbers and the color orange to Vanesa, and to Felicia I leave a new hairstyle. To my sister I leave my athletic skills (which she needs) and to all my friends a prayer that you graduate like me.*
Future: Join the Air Force

*I, **Samuel Carmona**, leave to all the underclassmen my goofiness, my fancy style, and my constant worry about my appearance. To my sister I leave my friendship and love. Good luck, don't break down. Before you know it, graduation will come and high school will be only a memory. L.M.A., JV,JF, DN, JB, AV, bowling buddies.*
Future: Attend UC Santa Cruz

Pedro Rubalcava
Future: Go into politics and become president of the United States.

*I, **Anthony Denney**, leave to my baby girl Amber my secrets to success and my love. To Lee, the quad and senior hill. To everyone else, I leave the headaches I got from first period and the right to protest anything you want.*
Future: Open my own stereo shop.

*I, **Eugene Martinez**, leave to Coach McIntyre my hard work and discipline; to my brother I leave my respect to others and the ability to make friends.*
Future: Work for the River Cats as a clubhouse assistant attendant.

*I, **Teara Mendez**, leave all my good times to the underclassmen. Whoever is worthy to carry out most spirited, I give you major props.*
Future: I might become a pediatric nurse.

*I, **Sara Schneider**, leave to the underclassmen a piece of advice: strive hard to go beyond your potential. To Raedawn I leave my will power. Also, to all those who are struggling,"Finish the race."*
Future: Become an actress.

*I, **T.J. Mumui**, leave to my brother Ron the game. To Freddy, stick with it you will graduate. Andres, hold ground. To everyone, don't cut, you will pay for it later.*
Future: I will hit tycoon status.

*I, **Keith Slagerman**, leave to all my friends, old and new, my off-the-wall sense of humor. Thanks to everyone for being there for me throughout the year. See you later, Jassen, Tommy, Q?, Steven, Michelle, Steven, Sou V, Crystal, Steven, Sara S. Thanks, mom and dad. Good bye, River City. J*
Future: Have a lot of fun this summer, then go to American River to take care of business.

*I, **Daphne Nasario**, leave to my sister Edwina my outgoing personality and my spot in AVE. To all the underclassman friends, I leave my love for life—you're almost there guys, keep it up. To Livy and the rest of the swimmers, I leave a burp-You Ate It!! Best wishes and good luck!*
Future: Become a news broadcaster or an elementary school teacher.

*I, **Andrew Hoekstra**, leave to the 2001 basketball team all the shots I would've made; to Roy and Shams, all of my old connections; to Courtney, a well-deserved apology; to Bridgette, a bus pass; and to anyone with their own ideas, the hard-headed attitude needed to confront authorities and others holding you back..*
Future: UC Santa Barbara is going to be my home for the next four years.

*I, **Sierra Beshears** ,leave to Sara Penrod my patience and ASB position. To the rest of leadership, my dedication and love for the class. To everyone remaining at R.C: have fun, good luck, and hang in there.*
Future: To get my credentials and come back to River City and become the new activities director and vice-principal.

*I, **Jennifer Fiddler**, leave to Ivy and Coty all the hotties at lunch. To Chis and Holly, my spying techniques. To Olivia I leave my Co-Editor title, Jason Weldon, and my friendship. To my brother I leave my status. To my sister I leave my strength. To Tommy Manasero I leave my appreciation.*
Future: I will become a journalist.

*I, **Jennifer George**, leave to my sister Megan all my love and fond memories. To my cousin I leave my determination and athletic skills. To the class to come I leave you with some advice that someone gave me as a freshman: " It gets easier."*

*I, **Mariah Blazak**, leave my sister Holly all my love and dedication. To all my friends my kindness and hard work.*
Future: After high school I plan to attend Sacramento State.

*I, **Anna Pencov**, leave to my sister and all my friends: make your dream come true like I have.*
Future: California State University.

Ode to the future

Ode to the future for the things we never see coming.

What lies ahead of us?
What do you see in our fate?
The future is what keeps us going because tomorrow is another day.
The mystery of the future keeps us on our toes,
We never know what'll happen as we cross roads.
The things we imagine
The ideas that entertain
Have our eyes dreamy
Through the whole day.
Just think how miserable we'd be if we knew what was going to happen,
When our love would die or
When something so terrible happened we'd cry.

Ode to the future for keeping such secrets.

Without the future we could not be
Should not be
Nor would we want to be.
Time would stand still
We would run in place.
Things would not progress.
It'd be like living in space.

Ode to the future for preventing such things.

Our goals and ambitions are our hope for making the future but how much control do
we really have?
Life continues though we need it to stop
Purpose remains though we feel it does not.
Sometimes we need breaks that we cannot take
because competition is tough and will not break.

Ode to the future for giving us time to make our dreams come true.

-Leesa Aragon

*I, **Raymond Bevens**, leave to the under classmen my knowledge of the school's computers so you can do a bunch of stuff you're not supposed to. To all my friends all that mushy stuff. Everyone else, have fun*
Future: A big computer quack with Leonard.

*I, **Carl Carter**, leave to my sister my spirit and strength in mind. It will take a lot to deal with Dave. To all those who knew me I leave my love of laughter. To Blake and Tyler I leave my skills. To my seniors who are leaving I will you the times we have shared and I hope we see each other in ten years.*
Future: To become famous one way or another.

*I, **Diana Yang**, leave to my cousins and friends my honesty and friendliness, toYeng, Xai, Pang, Mae, Kia V, Der, Khia, and Tong my guy problems so they don't have to follow my foot steps.*
Future: Medical Assistance

*I, **Marci Austin**, leave to Bernice my "biggest flirt" title. To Roxanne, my sense of humor and good luck to all of the underclassmen.*

*I, **Salina Salas**, leave to my sister Gloria all my power. To Sylvia, my hustler status. To Omar, my love. To the rest of the underclassmen, my luck because you'll need it.*

*I, **Daniel Golaway**, leave good luck to all my underclassmen people. If you have a dream, go for it. Don't let anybody tell you that you can't do it. Much love "Big Red."*
Future: college

*I, **Ronald Cooper**, leave to my good friends my wisdom of hard work; to the ones that were there for me I leave my friendship. To the guys I leave my love of dragons and power over women. For everybody I left out, stay out of trouble and my true friends will keep my name alive at R.C.*
Future: Navy and then TECH College

*I, **Cassie Ellis**, leave to my sister Sarah Ellis my good grades and motivation to do her work to the best of her ability. I love you and do well.*
Future: to become a teacher.

*I, **Rudy Valencia** leave to the class of 2001 and beyond this bit of advice; never end the search for_____(fill in the blank). If you do, you will die an unhappy person.*
Future: attend Derry Institute and make $30,000 a year.

these words: don't be afraid to speak your mind, even if it gets you beat down. To S.M. I leave my love; I'll be back, Sarah.
Future: Go into the Air Force Security Patrol Division for 4 years.

*I, **Jimmy Yanez**, leave my love of Garbage to Ebony. I love you, woman. To Olivia I leave my love for SATB. I love you. You complete me. To Vanesa I leave my No Doubt web page. And I leave all my funny words and sarcasm to everyone else I knew.*
Future: Raves and happiness.

*I, **Emilie Voelzow**, leave to my underclassmen of R.C. the ability to deal with drama, my love of life, and strong spirit to fight the symptoms of "senioritis"!*
Future: Travel the world and then maybe become a photographer.

*I, **Leesa Mae**, leave to whoever is willing to accept the responsibility, my team captain position, my ability to find humor in <u>almost</u> everything, and my way of thinking, and my nerve to tell people what I'm thinking. Much love to all the bowling buddies.*
Future: Become a poet and a swim coach.

*I, **Ryan Metzer**, leave to the underclassmen my good student skills; to my friends, my kindness and wishes of good luck. To the golf team, all my talent, championships, 300 yard drivrs, and a repeat. To my sister, my good grades and college chances.*
Future: UC Davis

*I, **Chansamone Lattasima**, leave to Vanessa Bigornia our secret World Cup. Go make it happen. To Sara Penrod, my mad soccer skills. To Carmen Delgado, my artistic abilities. I drew it all myself. To Virginia Mendez, my true friendship. To Keonakone Lattasima, my fictitious intelligence. I have all the answers to all your questions.*
Future: Become an engineer or get a degree in sports medicine.

*I, **Rosa Reynoso**, leave to all the underclassmen my talent. To Christina and Shirkah, my great smile. To my brothers Carlos and Manuel, all my faith I have in them. And last but not least all my good looks to all the girls at River City.*
Future: Major in medicine or psychology

*I, **Judy Keophet**, leave to my underclassman cousins P.K and T.K my strong spirit to never give up and my determination to keep pushing myself. To all my friends that have been true to me I wish*

Ode to high school

Four years have gone by so fast.
In the beginning, that time seemed so vast,
But now everything is in the past.

The smiles will never by forgotten,
The fun memories, never turn rotten,
And the faint sound of laughter, remain softer than cotton.

Upon the eve of graduation, our eyes will fill with tears
As we begin a new journey in a different direction than our peers.
Thank you, high school, for these four wonderful years.

-Casey Slagerman

*I, **Alisha Semeria**, leave to all the Band Nerds my love for music. To Silas, the percussionists are yours. Teach them all we've learned together. I leave my little sister all my great memories.*
Future: Become a music/physical education teacher.

*I, **Joshua Smith**, leave to R.C. students the power to speak your mind, as I have done. I leave my arms, which many have been in, so you know they are warm and always wide open. Lastly, I leave you all the best. To all the teachers that have guided me to the right direction, thank you.*
Future: Get a degree in ethnic studies or international business.

Please see Senior Wills continued on next page

Features

Ms. Mejia finds one disadvantage to being short

By Vanesa Rosales and Jimmy Yanez
Staff Writers

Experiencing her first year of teaching Ms. Mejia had the privilege to be named Teacher of the Month for April. Indeed, Ms. Mejia is special, but what's going on in her head?

Q. Why do you think you received teacher of the month?
A.I have no idea. It's an honor. It's kind of cool.
Q. What made you become a teacher?
A. My high school experience made me realize I needed to become a teacher because not many cared about my needs.
Q. How does being a teacher affect your life?
A. I have no social life. As stressful as it is I still love what I do.
Q. Where are you from?
A. I was born in Washington, D.C., but I was raised in Maryland and I moved out to California when I was 14 years old.
Q. Is being really short a disadvantage?
A. The only disadvantages of being really short are that I can't reach the top of the white board and I have to have Mr. Fogle erase the top.
Q. Exactly how short are you?
A. I would like to believe I'm 5'2."
Q. What's the craziest thing you've ever done?
A. On my second date with my boyfriend I got into a motorcycle accident. It was the first time I rode a motorcycle. Most of our date was spent in the emergency room.
Q. What makes you angry?
A. Students that whine and don't listen.
Q. Describe yourself in one word?
A. Impatient.
Q. Do you have a nickname?
A. Some people call me "Shorty" or "M&M's"
Q. If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be?
A. I would be Eeyore so I can walk around with a cloud over my head and make it rain whenever I want.
Q. If you could be any household appliance what would you be?
A. A stereo so I can be as loud and obnoxious as my students

As you can see, getting into the brain of a teacher is ...uh... interesting. Yet, it's not as boring as you would expect. With our thorough but strange interview with Ms. Mejia we now know that good things really do come in small packages.

Casey Slagerman role model to class

By Haley Moore
Staff Writer



April's Raider of the Month, Casey Slagerman, has been chosen to be on the South Optimist softball team as a designated hitter. Casey was one of three team captains at River City this year. Coach Martin said, "The area's best softball players, seniors only, throughout the Sacramento Valley are selected to play on the Optimist team.". She's pretty excited and is looking forward to the game on June 1, at Redwood Park at 7 pm.

Casey's teammates have a lot of good things to say about her. Gloria Salas said, "Casey is a real lovable person and always knows how to bring us up when we're down."

Georgina Arch, who is also a very good softball player, said, "Casey is a real good example and she shows good leadership."

This aspiring senior didn't get all her compliments just from teammates. Mrs. Higgins, Casey's statistics teacher said, "I met Casey last summer when she came up and introduced herself to me. Not many students do that and I was very impressed. She is a dedicated, hard-working student and a good role model to the rest of the class. She is the kind of student teachers would like to clone."

Casey's good friend Sara Schnieder shared that "Casey is a very reliable, hardworking, dedicated, courageous person and a friend I'm lucky to have."

Casey has been accepted to UC Davis to major in Animal Science become a veterinarian. She is currently doing volunteer work at the West Side Veterinary Hospital where she is interested in becoming a veterinary technician assisting veterinarians and caring for the animals. Casey has always liked animals and had pets growing up. So, it's easy to see that Casey is a hard-working, dedicated person and that's why this RC student was chosen as Raider of the Month.

Travis Groesbeck to attend CalPoly summer program

By Michael Slack
Staff Writer

Travis Groesbeck, a senior here at River City, has been accepted to a summer program at an architectural school in California. He was presented a scholarship at California Polytechnic in San Luis Obispo. The Poswall Foundation provided the scholarship. Travis was chosen because of his grades and his performance in drafting.

The summer program is one month long from June 18-24. Travis will learn about architecture, structural engineering, and structural design. In the fall Travis intends to go to Sacramento City College and then transfer to a four-year college.

"I'm really excited about going. It will be an exciting experience and also a good learning experience," Travis said, although, he has mixed feelings about leaving high school. "I'm sad to leave all my friends, but I'm happy to have completed this part of my life," he said.

Community service a hindrance to some

By Lanna Kalista
Staff Writer

Juniors and seniors were required to volunteer eight hours of community service this year. It is mandatory that they keep a journal of their experiences and make an oral presentation with a visual. Seniors are required to write a research paper that relates to the service they did. Sophomores will be required to volunteer next year and freshmen the following year.

Many students are spending time with children and the elderly. Rebekah Marshall, who served veterans Christmas dinner at the Elk's Lodge, said " I feel that working with the community was fun and rewarding." Most students felt that community service was a good experience and didn't have any complaints. However one student, Bobby Flippen, disagreed, "Why should I do anything for the community when the community hasn't done anything for me?"

RC cheerleaders named for next year

By Coty A. Marshall
Staff Writer

The '00-'01 school year is upon us, and with it comes an array of advancements. New classes, new teachers, new friends, new sports teams, and new cheerleading squads await us all. The River City cheerleaders have been selected. Some are returning from previous years, some are upperclassmen just joining, and some will be freshmen next year at River City.

The j.v. squad includes Anna Cheechov, Shannon Fristoe, Kim Johnson, Christian Lucero, Amanda Peterson, Alex Pruitt, Jessica Rhea, Ericka Rocha, Serina Sommer, Ashlee Stigen, and Bridgette Tacdol.

The RC varsity cheerleading squad consists of Kaitlyn Bravo, Kelsi Brewer, Erin Cheechov, Katie Harris, Amanda Hughes, Kristina Norris, Raedawn O'Dell, Ashley Myers, Felicia Ortega, and Holly Valine.

Congratulations to all of the new and returning RC cheerleaders.



Don't be a loser.
Don't be a boozer!

Senior Wills Continued from pg. 3

*I, **Brianne Vaughan**, leave to Andrew and Marilyn my killer vinyl pants. To Olivia, I leave my love for your hair. To Vanesa, I leave my No Doubt videos. To Christian, I leave my Depeche Mode CDs. To Ivy, I leave those embarrassing pictures of us as little kids. To Mike, I leave my sense of style.*

*I, **Sna T.K.A. Ryu**, leave to all the underclassmen my talent, which is singing and fighting skills. Don't procrastinate because you will regret it, so take my advice and do everything early. I give you my wisdom, and best wishes for luck! God bless.*
Future: Attend college

*I, **Mohammad Salman**, leave to Tony Wise my "always eating title." To all the football players/ wrestlers I leave my sick skills. To brother Yasser I leave my good looks, my ability to get along with anyone, my optimistic football skills, and my ability to just slide by with a "C" in math class. To all the pretty girls I leave my heart.*
Future: Be the first Arabic person on the moon.

*I, **Steven Tiderencel**, leave to no one anything. Don't trust anyone in this world. Everyone's a snake.*
Future: To get away with as much as possible.

*I, **Jennifer Williams**, leave to my little sister my attitude and determination for the extreme; to Turquoise Shaw, my love to be argumentative and sarcastic.. My family, love and trust. To the under classmen, hope you guys and girls the best and wish you all graduate. Live life to the fullest and have fun doing so.*
Future: Look into a photography course, and try to achieve what I want to do before the age of 24.

*I, **Khonesavanh Lattasima**, leave to my baby sister my mentality. To my friends, my honesty and trustworthiness. To the tennis team, my hard work, dedication, and accomplishments. And to the intelligent ones, my admiration of your blessed gift.*
Future: Finish and graduate from college!!

*I, **Marianna Barajas**, leave to the underclassmen my kind heart, my loving personality, but especially my strength. I encourage all of you to follow your goals and never give up. Have faith in God and believe in yourself. Don't let your enemies gloat over you.*
Future: Become a C.H.P. officer.

I, John Reber, leave to the underclassmen my wisdom of how to stick in there even when you want to quit; to Dead Body, waiting to see your first album; and to my fellow seniors, I hope you all have great lives and fulfill your dreams.
Future: To become a computer engineer.

*I, **Lacey Fields**, leave to Sarah Fields my love and my kindness at River City. I leave the last of AVE my voice and wisdom. I leave Joy Kinney my laughter at her silliness.*
Future: Become an oceanographer.

*I, **Josue Nieves**, leave to Andy Diaz, Freddy Ponce, and Edward Martinez our table. To Dee Aguilar I leave my sense of humor. To Ron I leave my legendary glasses. To Anthony Cardenes I leave my weird hairstyle. To Mark Reyes I leave my good name. To Keysk I leave our good times.*
Future: Live lavishly, big bank account.

*I, **Leonard Gungon**, leave to everyone my eternal love for Britney Spears. I leave my stress to all the seniors to come. And to all the fly honeys, I leave my number 602-3829. Best wishes to all and make your memories count.*
Future: Become a computer programmer.

*I, **Atalaya Porras**, leave to underclassmen everything I came here with, which isn't much, and hope they leave with more than I did. To Ebony I leave my only Latin lover, and two tickets to the Himalayas. I also leave the underclassmen these final words: don't put anything off until the last moment and don't eat anything in the cafeteria that moves or speaks.*
Future: Become a veterinarian.

*I, **Krysteena Peterson**, leave to Aaron Godwin my heart and my candies. To Rena, I leave my wings and the pound sign total. To Russel, I leave all my money to you as if you didn't have it. I leave my "class clown" title to whoever, and the class of 2001, it's all yours.*
Future: Become a psychologist

*I, **Javes Figueroa**, leave to all the b-ball players my skills. To all the juniors and sophomores, grow up and start acting your age. Peace out.*
Future: Leaving for the Marines August 7.

You are invited to the

Grad Bash 2000!

A Drug and Alcohol Free Event!

Friday June 9, 2000
10 p.m. - 2 a.m.
Capitol Bowl
$5 West Sacramento Grad - $10 guest/non-resident

To celebrate your graduation, the Youth Commission is throwing a safe graduation party for you. Starting at 10 p.m. and ending at 2 a.m, enjoy all the pizza and soda you can eat, unlimited bowling, lots of prizes each hour and the hottest dancing music played by one of Sacramento's top D.J.s'.

Features

Fantasia 2000 scholarship awarded to Kia Parsons

By Jimmy Yanez
Staff Writer

It's not often that a student composes a song and wins a $2,000 award. But Kia Parsons isn't your average student. Kia indeed composed an award winning song. Kia won the Fantasia 2000 scholarship award. But what inspired her to compose this piece? I spoke to Kia to answer this question and more.

Q: What inspired you to compose this award winning song?
A: Anger and confusion inspired me to write this song.
Q: Have you always used music to express your feelings, emotions?
A: No, usually I use my mouth.
Q: What do you think of "The Thong Song?"
(Doesn't dignify with an answer.)
Q: Who do you think is under-rated and over-rated?
A: I think Mozart was really under-rated because people never realized how musically intact he was until he died. I think the Beastie Boys are over-rated, they're wannabe rappers. Glorified posers.
Q: What do you think the next phase of music is going to be? Right now it's stuff like Korn and NSYNC. What do you think is next?
A: People are getting into techno, like a heavy techno. That's probably next.
Q: What do you think of artists that don't write their own music and have others do it for them?
A: I think they're ruining the naturalization of the song.
Q: Do you see yourself composing more music in the future?
A: Yes, most definitely.
Q: You're an NSYNC fan, is that correct?
A: Closet case. I'm kidding
(As I write her words down.)
If you put that I'll kill you.
Q: Ok, if you're not an NSYNC fan... it's Backstreet Boy right?
A: To tell you the truth I never heard them sing. I could never tell the difference between the two.
Q: O.K., then who is your favorite?
A: Classical composer would be Bach. My swing artist would be Ella Fitzgerald. I would say Godsmack is my favorite for rock.
Q: What's next on your piercing list?
A: I want to get the center of my lip pierced.
Q: Do you have any questions for me?
Q: What did you think of my piece?
A: I hated it, actually. No I'm kidding. I thought it was better than some of the professional composers out there. I liked it a lot. Can I have it?
(Kia has yet to respond to that question.)

Kia is very talented and will indeed succeed in her life goals. Her impeccable ear for music and outstanding personality will make this certain. Kia wanted me to include that "Ms. Greenwood helped a lot. So she is the one I have to thank, because she put a lot of time and effort into this piece as much as I did."

Fashion goddess reflects on the fashions of '80s bands

By Zigue Gorgeous
Personal Fashion Goddess

techno music plays, priest enters the sacred church of fashion, otherwise known as the Versace boutique

I will start of this sermon by addressing the sexiest band, Depeche Mode.

The BEST band to adorn themselves with clothes are the Sex Pistols, The Cure, and Depeche Mode, coincidently, three of my very favorite bands!!

The style of The Cure is dark, depressed, and A LOT of fun! Dressing up like lead singer Robert Smith involves sugar-water in the hair to make lots of poofy spikes (www.thecure.com). This also involves over-sized cloths and sneakers.

Depeche Mode are Martin Gore, Dave Gahan, Andrew Fletcher, and Alan Wilder, who have come a long way in their fashion and their music since their inception in the early '80's. Although they are very intriguing individuals, they believe that their techno music should be the most important part of Depeche Mode. However, I shall focus on their fashion, as this is a fashion column. The fashion of DM has varied over the years: quite sexy, if you ask me. Leather pants and tank tops show off their great bodies. Martin is the most beautiful man in the world, and the absolute best style and I worship him. He believes that gender barriers are silly and has dressed in everything from kinky leather straps to sexy tanks and leather pants, and has an army of really cool girls who want him now (www.depechemode.com).

"I wanna be ANARCHY!!!" This is the battle cry of the Sex Pistols, who didn't care what they wore, and looked great doing it. They wore ripped clothes with messages to mainstream England scrawled across them, 1920s style pants, zippers, safety pins, straight jackets, and, of course, spiked hair. (http://www.virginrecords.com/sex_pistols/home.html)

As I leave this school, I'd like to leave you with a few notes:

Milan is such a fashionable city, everyone dresses like models, and they look as *fabulous* as the atmosphere.

London's street charm is gorgeous fun. This is not surprising, as London is known as the trendiest city in the world. You can't exactly wear a lot of this stuff to this school, but you can wear 'em to raves and Europe.

Paris and designers such as Oscar DeLa Renta present us with classy, sexy clothes one can wear to work and to evening soirees.

I urge you to travel to these gorgeous cities some time in your life.

Before you take on the world, I urge you to catch the BEST fashion show on TV, Fashion File on E! at 10 on Saturday mornings. Put together your own outfits, and be creative!!!!!

Fashion is attitude. I've tried to show you this today, and in every column by not just focusing on what's in or out. If you can't have fun with clothes, what are you going to have fun with?

CD Reviews: the good and the bad

By Jimmy Yanez
Staff Writer

The Good- The following CD's are, in my opinion, good. My opinion is not always agreeable, but perhaps some will feel the same way.

No Doubt- The long awaited album from No Doubt is finally within the grasp of No Doubt fans everywhere. Their new effort, *Return of Saturn*, lives up to all fans expectations. They have come back in the same No Doubt fashion, but with added '80s new wave like sounds that somehow compliment the angry guitars and a bit of horns. Superb job.

Eminem- Let's face it, this guy has broken new barriers. He shocks the world with his bold lyrics, irritating attitude that people seem to love, and humor that annoy comedians for not thinking of his stuff first. The *Marshall Mathers LP* album shows proper citizens how to act crude, and a message is received from the angst rapper. A message in which can't be printed in this paper. No matter if you like rock, pop, R&B, jazz, whatever, this guy is liked by all. Something artists have to achieve for many years.

The Creatures- Popular in London, with an underground following in the U.S., The Creatures have released a new album called *U.S. Retrace*. This album offers remixes of older songs and new songs to add to gothic nightclubs and to the collection of Creature freaks, as I call them. Siouxsie's strong and exotic vocals are matched with Budgies hammering drumming skills, which make their psychotic sound..

The Bad- The following CD's are, in my opinion, bad. My opinion is not always agreeable, but perhaps some will feel the same way.

Britney Spears- Oops! She did it again. Yes, well maybe next time she'll be more careful and just not make another album. All tracks on her latest album, *Oops! I Did It Again*, sound exactly alike except some are slower than others. With overdone vocals and pre-pubescent kinder-like lyrics, the album is great!! I jest, of course.

NSYNC- Although my cousins are going to murder me, NSYNC's new album is horrible. There is enough pop in this album to make Pop Rocks jealous. Of course there are the ballads, which are slow and awfully sickening. Yet that does not excuse their annoying, cheery, wannabe hip-hop techno crossover mess of a sound. Yes, they are so dreamy.

The Smashing Pumpkins- This band disbanded for a reason. They simply don't have it anymore. At one time The Smashing Pumpkins were a great thing. Music was great, attitude was great, and their fan base was great. All of a sudden it seemed as though they just quit being good. Their new album *Machina-Machine God* is a disappointment. The tracks are all boring, but it's evident that some effort was put into a few songs. It's a good thing they quit now, to save themselves from more embarrassment.

Pearl Jam- Again, a case of a good band turned bad. Pearl Jam was the cat's meow in the early '90s when grunge was at it's prime, but now people have moved on from grunge, including Pearl Jam. They seem too mellow now a days. Each track fluctuates from fast to slow and to songs you can't really understand. But at least they have grown away from grunge.

RC graduate once lived in mortuary, now works at the River City Funeral Chapel

By Brianne Vaughan
Staff Writer

Lurching in the shadows of the mortuary, the mortician stands, gaunt and scary, staring at the body he is embalming. He looks like Lurch from The Adams Family. Spider webs encrust every orifice of the dark room. Does this seem familiar? This is the stereotypical mortician. But Cristina Rubalcava is here to break all stereotypes.

As a mortician in West Sacramento, she is young, 23, happy, and a River City graduate, class of '95. She embalms people to make them look presentable for their families. She also "removes" people from their scenes of death, and consoles families. She says the most important thing to remember is that they are someone's family. Why did she decide to be a mortician? It was her 'calling.' Doctors, lawyers, and journalists compromise themselves, she says, and she doesn't want to compromise herself.

Her goals in high school were to shock people, through dress and writing. She cites English teacher Ms. Green as an influence who helped her make plans to reach her dreams.

She loves movies, so as editor of *The Review*, she did reviews and Oscar picks. Her fav is *Dead Poet's Society* about a bunch of college kids who learn to "seize the day." The phrase, "carpe diem,"Latin for "seize the day," was repeated through out the film and has become an intrinsic part of Cristina's life. Through her job, she has realized that "people are precious," and that one should live life to its fullest.

After high school, she planned and worked for her goal. The San Francisco College of Mortuary Science, "the Harvard of mortuary schools," cost $11,000, so Cristina volunteered at AmeriCorps, a program, like Peace Corps, in which volunteers work in many activities. Cristina was a tutor and mentor for elementary school kids coping with abuse and disabilities.

Cristina left AmeriCorps with a pocket full of money for college. Of course, she did not leave with just money: she got life experience she couldn't have gotten in school. She enjoyed working with kids, as they have "no corruption, and honesty, and trust."

While she attended mortuary schooling, she moved to a suburb of San Francisco, where she lived in a mortuary.

"It's the safest place in the world," she said, "No one wants to go in!"

After two years of school, Cristina decided to move back to West Sacramento.

Asked if she misses San Francisco, she said, "I lived down the street from the beach." She also commented on the perfect weather. "It doesn't go from 40° to 105°, it's just 60°."

Now she's doing two years of apprenticeship, which is a lot like student teaching. She had stopped by the River City Funeral Chapel, and run into John Daniel, the general manager. After a 15-minute talk full of probing questions like, "Will you make a difference here?" he offered her a job and the house behind the building.

Still, she enjoys her job in her hometown. She says all the behind the scenes panic is worth it when the family is happy. In eight months, she'll have her embalmers license.

'Shorties' make RC halls dangerous

By Michael Slack
Staff Writer

Some people believe that to have courage you must do dangerous and daring deeds. Russian roulette, glass chewing, and acupuncture with railroad spikes are all pretty daring, but there is a much more frightening and dangerous thing to do. Walking the halls of River City. Sure, there may have not been any fatal accidents yet, but it is difficult and is a rather tedious task.

The object of this sport is to make it to your next classroom. It sounds easy, but in the way are numerous obstacles. These range from unhappy custodians to demon children from the next dimension. I'm not making fun of shorties; after all, I'm not exactly the tallest person, being only 5'8", but I often seem to step on these "little people." Not just the little people pose an immediate threat. There are human turrets that launch a variety of projectiles. Their ammunition ranges from spit to small aquatic and woodland creatures. Well... maybe not, but I have seen some pretty weird thing flying through the hallway.

Another "pitfall," if you will, is the slow moving banshees. They slowly walk around dragging their feet, screaming their hideous sounds, communicating with one another. Then, they totally stop. When they do this, they are much like the little people, impassable objects. The only problem is, when they stop it turns into a strange social gathering. It is hard to pass them.

The only way to successfully pass this obstacle course is with the aid of the abnormally large, giants if you will. Such giants are David Saldana and Dillon Stanholm. See, the idea is to follow them and use them as trailblazers.

Even if you triumphantly make it through the halls, you are still faced with sitting through another period of class. On the good side, you get about eight chances to defy the possible fate of losing every day that you take on the challenge of walking through the halls of River City.

Enrique Iglesias, Mandy Moore and others performed at Endfest 2000

By Christian Lucero
Staff Writer

One of Sacramento's biggest concert events has passed. Endfest 2000 was a big hit. The fans headed for the concert, in RAIN or shine (there was no shining). I met a girl that used to live in Sacramento and came to Endfest last year. She had moved since to LA and she came all the way up to see the Hanson SISTERS.

Although all the weird girls cheered on for Hanson Sisters, Enrique Inglesias stole the show. Although his choice of songs was good, his choice in girls was horrible. He has this thing in all of his concerts when he gets this girl out of the audience and sings to her on stage. Well he picked this girl out and she *freaked* out! You could see her hands shaking as well as her entire body when Enrique started kissing her on her neck. She called the radio station and said that it was the best experience of her life.

Although I didn't have an interest in the girl singers there, I did have an interest in their dancers! If you went to the concert you know what I'm talking about. If you saw Mandy Moore's presentation, you saw her dancers and I have to tell you that Mandy's dancers were the only good looking thing on that stage.

All in all I guess you can say that the food was good and the guys were hard to find, but some of the performances were superb. Like I thought that Youngstown had a good performance. They had good dancing, and their accents were a HUGE plus.

I think that Coco Lee was dropped on her coco when she was little, and far as Hanson Sisters go, I have nothing good to say.

Sports and Activities

Arny Mendes tells of most embarrassing moment

By Olivia De Mars
Sports Editor

Bases are loaded; the batter has two strikes and three balls. The Raiders are up by one. The outfield waits impatiently, while the infield is prepared to catch a ground ball and throw it to first. First baseman Arny Mendes stands poised for the catch that could win or lose the game. The pitch, the crack of the bat is heard as the crowd roars. The ball hits the ground; shortstop catches the ball, and fires it to first. The crowd goes silent as the ball flies into Arny's glove. "You're out," the umpire yells. The crowd screams. Raiders win!

Arny Mendes has been playing ball for seven years, starting his career with West Sacramento Little League. Arny was meant for first base even when he was little. "I've always played first base," Arny said. "I was always bigger than the other kids when I was little so they picked me for first base and I've been playing that position ever since."

Arny hasn't always played just little league baseball. He has also played for a senior league and continues to play for American Legion. Playing ball all these years has not gone without it's little mishaps and embarrassments. According to Arny, his most embarrassing moment happened when he was playing baseball when he was a little kid. "During one of my very first games," Arny explained, "I ended up going to the bathroom while our team was in the outfield and I was supposed to be on first base. Luckily for me, no one saw that I had left. How embarrassing is that?"



Arny Mendes

After high school, Arny doesn't plan on ending his career in baseball. He is currently discussing his baseball future with the head coach of San Diego State University and if accepted Arny will attend college there. As for a major, Arny is undecided but plans on taking his required classes and then when he makes up his mind on a future he will take the classes needed. However, if Arny's dreams come true "with a little hard work and dedication I will be playing baseball for a long time, hopefully professional," Arny said.

Playing baseball isn't the only thing Arny wants to do. He also wants to try sky diving because it "looks like fun," he said. His aspirations about skydiving are not limited to just that. He also said that he would like to base jump, and jump off of tall buildings, with a parachute on, of course.

In addition to his dreams of playing professional baceball and sky diving, Arny has one more dream.

"I want to be a role model for the younger generation," he said flashing his famous smile. "By doing what is right and being someone kids will look up to."

Golf team wins first league championship for River City High

By Lanna Kalista
Sports Writer

River City's golf team won its first league championship in dramatic fashion in this year's last league match. Going into the final league match, which features all seven GEL teams, River City was tied with perennial champion Colfax. RC's players needed to win the league match in order to secure the championship. They performed remarkably, beating Colfax by 22 strokes, and making them this year's champion.

Victor Ujagar commented, "It was great winning the championship this season. Our team worked hard and we stuck together. That is why we won the championship."

The team finished with an overall record of 32–2, and a league record of 22-2. The team featured four of the top eight golfers in the league. John Shelley, Gary Harmon, and Jon Daniel each earned all-league status. Kevin Gereghty, who finished eighth in the league, was an honorable mention.

Coach Hanagan added, "Winning the championship was a tremendous accomplishment. Just two years ago we were dead last in the league, winning only one league match. This championship is a testament to the dedication and hard work of our players. Colfax returned four seniors from last year's championship team, they also played better golf than they did last year, and we still went out and beat them. Now our job will be to go out and defend our championship."

This year's squad accomplished another first by qualifying for the Sac-Joaquin Sub-Section Tournament. At this tournament the sixteen best teams from seven leagues compete for only one berth in the section tournament. River City finished a very respectable sixth. Gary Harmon missed moving on to the section tournament by just one stroke.

Coach Hanagan and players would also like to give a special thanks to Bob, the head pro at Lighthouse Golf Course. "Without the support and generosity of Bob and his staff, we surely could not have turned our program around as quickly as we have," they said.

Miscount at power lifter competition

By Olivia De Mars
Sports Editor

This year's Power Lifter of the Year competition was held May 12 in the gym. Competitors for the open weight division were Katie Young, Alex Lokteff, Shelley Tuttle, Mo Salman, Malfred Shaw, and Mario Santos. Those who competed in the strength-to-weight division were Sarah Leisure, Andrea Morgan, Georgina Arch, Bernie Stanhope, Sam Brinkhius, and John Goeden.

Each competititor is given three lifts for their three events: deads, squats, and bench-press. This year's winner for the women's open was Alex Lokteff who beat out Katie Young, last years champion, and this year's favorite. Alex benched 125, squatted 300, and dead lifted 280. When all of her lifts were added up she beat Katie by five pounds and Shelley Tuttle by 55 pounds.

In the men's open, Mo Salman beat out his two competitors by benching 315, squatting 580, and dead lifting 450. Mo also tied the school record set by Sam Savala, by lifting a total of 1,345 pounds.

This year's power lifter competition was not without it's problems. On Malfred Shaw's last squat, the spotters miscounted the weight, and when the pounds were finally added up, it turned out he had attempted to squat 735 pounds. The other two lifters let Malfred have one more chance to squat 600 pounds. Malfred tried but he was too tired from his attempt at 735 and he could not make it a legal squat.

In the strength-to-weight division, Sarah Leisure pulled out with the win. She beat out Andrea Morgan with a strength-to-weight score of 4.4827. For the boys' strength-to-weight division Bernie Stanhope blew his competitors away. He had a strength-to-weight score of 6.584 by benching 185 pounds, squatting 385, and dead lifting 365.

Congratulations to our Power Lifters of the Year.

JV beats Colfax, wins league

By Jason De Mars
Sports Writer

Jayvee baseball has ended with a championship team. The j.v. baseball team finished off with an astonishing record of 12-2.The Raiders' big game was against their rival team, the Colfax Falcons.

In the first round, the team lost by only a few runs and made too many errors but wasn't going to let it happen again. In the second round, the two rival teams met again and this time the Raiders pulled through with the victory.

The Raiders played hard for the rest of their season and only lost one more time, and the Colfax Falcons lost two more games, leaving the Raiders the champion.

Tennis takes league

By Shelley Tuttle
Sports Writer

The Raider tennis team finished another successful season as they snagged the G.E.L. championship for the fifth consecutive year. With a league record of 11-1, the one loss being to R.C. tennis rivals the Colfax Falcons, the Raiders not only snatched a pendant, but also a spot in the San Joaquin Valley section playoffs.

The Raiders played two division matches at other champion schools before hosting a division three playoffs match against Livingston, which was the last match the Raiders would win in the playoffs.

"We did very well this year," said varsity girls doubles player Keonakone Lattasima. It's true, the Raiders were able to make it to division four of the playoffs before losing to their opponents from Justin Sienna High School.

That loss ended the tennis season and now they have next year to look forward to yet another Golden Empire League championship.

Swimmers drop time at sections

By Shelley Tuttle
Sports Writer

The Waterbugs did it again this year as five R.C. swimmers made it to the San Joaquin Valley sections. In this event, around 100 schools in and around the San Joaquin Valley gather their best swimmers to see who can complete their events in the least amount of time. This year, R.C. qualified to compete in three events. Stacey Paige swam the 200-meter individual medley (I.M.), and Alex Villalobos swam the 100-meter freestyle as well as the men's 200-meter freestyle relay with John Goeden, Cory Clonce, and Tony Barbosa.

Stacey finished third in her heat and dropped two seconds from her best time. The relay team also dropped two seconds off their best time and placed second in their heat. Though Alex Villalobos didn't drop any time in the 100-meter freestyle, he did place first in his heat. "I was proud to be a part of sections for the second consecutive year," said Alex. "It was the first time a relay team from R.C. made it to sections."

Congratulations to all swimmers who made it to sections.

Attention all swimmers: The swimming season will start early next year so more time will be spent in the pool. Instead of starting in early March, the season will begin in early February along with the other spring sports. Contact Ms. Leifson for more information.

RC varsity baseball strikes out at Vanden

By Michael Slack
Sports Writer

The River City varsity baseball season has ended. On May 20, the baseball team was stopped by the Vanden Vikings, eliminating the possibility of championship for this season. The team lost to Vanden in Lodj at Zupo Park with a score of 5-1, leaving the Raiders in third place. In the fifth inning, Robert Cervantes made a catch that could have turned the game around. Unfortunately, when Robert went to throw the ball it slipped and fell out of his hand. Instead of being an out for the Vikings, the umpire ruled it a dropped catch.

It could have ended differently according to the pitcher, Bobby Flippen. "We were starting a comeback, but the ref made a bad call and ruined it," he said.

Varsity soccer team finishes league in fifth

By Olivia De Mars
Sports Editor

As school comes to an end so do all spring sports. This year's varsity girls soccer team finished fifth in the Golden Empire League. Mr. Restivo considered this season a success considering that the varsity team consisted of mostly 9th and 10th graders.

Severe injuries accrued during the season "which limited the team's performance," said Coach Restivo. Injuries this year included Mariah Blazak's knee injury and Virginia Mendez's ankle injury.

Senior Chansamone Lattasima and sophomore Courtney Yeargin were named to the G. E. L. all-league team and honorable mentions also went to junior Vanessa Bigornia and freshman Nikki Hanson.

"We will miss the seniors next year, but look forward to the up and coming j.v. and freshman players," said Coach Restivo.

The j.v. girls team also finished their season in fifth place in the G.E.L. out of the seven that competed.

As for the freshman team, they lost all of their games and finished last in their league; however, they were playing division one schools.

"We had a good season," commented Virginia Mendez. "I had so much fun this year, but I will miss the seniors that will graduate."

Varsity softball goes 4-10 in league play

By Chandoeun Phoung
Sports Writer

The varsity softball team ended the season with four wins over ten losses in league, finishing with one of the best-played games of the season against Marysville.

"The Lady Raiders were tied with Marysville, one to one going into the bottom of the fourth inning," said Ms. Martin. "Then Marysville's bats came alive, and they scored five runs on four hits. The Lady Raiders lost the game eight to one," she said.

"We played really, really hard, but things didn't go our way," remarked Jasmin Patel.

Racquel Vasquez, a veteran of four years on the varsity softball team didn't have the chance to play with her teammates in their last game of the season because she broke her ankle in a game against Encina.

Racquel Vasquez's most memorable game of the season was against Golden Sierra. "Casey and I got our game on that day. We play well together," she said.

The team had several other injuries to deal with. Diana Aguilar, pitcher and infielder broke her pinky in P.E. and was out for the season. Delilah Arch took over as pitcher and she was also the co-captain with Casey Slagerman.

"My most memorable game was against Marysville. I had a lot of fun," said Jasmin Patel. "I want to say good luck to next year's team."

Ms. Martin would like to thank all the players, parents, family, and friends that supported the Lady Raider softball team this season.

Tate almost makes state

By Jason De Mars
Sports Writer

Track has ended with the varsity boys placing fourth in league. Jayvee boys also placed fourth in league and Jennifer Smith, the only girl on the team, placed eighth in league. Malfred Shaw was-league medal for the 200 meters. At the end of the season, five track members qualified to go on to subsection trials.

Alan Lane qualified for long jump, and the 4x100 relay; Cliff Hughes qualified for high jump, triple jump, and the 4x100 relay; Sam Carmona qualified for the 300 intermediate hurdles; Malfred Shaw qualified for the long jump, high jump, triple jump and 4x100 relay; and, last but not least, Marshaun Tate qualified for the 100 meters, 200 meters, and the 4x100 relay.

Only one track member went on and qualified in the subsection trials and that was Marshaun Tate. Marshaun placed third in the 100 meters, and also placed third in the 200 meters, qualifying him for section finals in Modesto on May 24.

Marshaun said, "When sections come around I'm gonna' run the race of my life." And so he did. Marshaun Tate placed seventh in the 100-meter with a time of 10.84 and placed fifth in the 200-meter with a time of 21.95.

Marshaun didn't place high enough to go on to state, but he placed in the top ten out of 109 schools.

Have a great summer

OPINION

News-Ledger Editorial

Making government 'transparent'

There's a piece of verbiage included in the beginning of each agenda for the Yolo County Local Agency Formation Commission. Known as LAFCO, this commission leads the way on issues such as the creation or expansion of cities. The verbiage reads like this:

"All parties and participants to a proceeding before this agency involving a license, permit or other entitlement for use are required to disclose on the record of the proceeding any contributions made within the preceeding twelve months which total $250 or more by the party or participant, or his or her agent, to any officer of this agency.

"All persons present at this meeting who are parties to, participate in, any annexation or detachment proceeding today, as well as any agents thereof, are hereby requested to disclose such contributions on the record of such proceeding. . ."

The goal of this requirement is to make it clear who at a LAFCO meeting has a financial stake in the outcome of a LAFCO decision, and to disclose any financial relationships between these people and those making the decisions. In other words, it is to expose conflicts of interests and special interests.

This kind of thing is not required for meetings of such bodies as the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, West Sacramento City Council or West Sacramento Planning Commission. But it might be a good thing for similar policies to be adopted by some of the planning-related commissions of both the city and county.

It is often not clear to the public (and sometimes not to local officials) when they are being addressed by a disinterested (unbiased) citizen and when they are being lobbied by a special interest representative. It is also not always clear when these special interests have financially supported some of the people on the commission or council.

But, as we all know, dollars influence point-of-view and dollars influence decisions. This may not be much of a hot topic for West Sacramento at present, but it has been in the past and will be again in the future. The next time a large, lucrative land deal needs city approval, the dollars will flow and much of it will be invisible to the public.

Disclosing financial relationships which affect a particular planning issue will help make local government more "transparent" and lessen the ability of, for example, campaign contributions to influence an official's decision.

Since the bulk of such financial conflicts take place on land use issues, for which people stand to make potentially millions of dollars, it would probably be adequate for such disclosure rules to be applied at the planning commission level. The public ought to be informed when someone lobbying the commission is connected with a particular development proposal, and when lobbyists are representing a party that has financial ties to a politician's campaign. There are ways of assuring this, and they are worth our attention.

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Regarding the saga of a low-level W.U.S.D. employee who has been arrested for "stealing" $3,100 worth of time, it must be noted that the two public officials closest to the case won't talk to the *News-Ledger* about the process they followed, and that the school board as a whole was left out of this process.

The case appears quite unusual. Gibson has been arrested, before her arbitration meeting, for a $3,100 alleged offense. This occurred in a time and place where it is difficult for mere mortals to get the attention of the District Attorney's office at all.

Whether the employee is guilty or innocent, one question begs an answer: if Dave Farmer were not involved in the matter as both a school board member and chief of detectives, and were he not a close ally of school superintendent Dennis Kelleher, would Gibson have been arrested?

Her guilt or innocence means little in the "big picture," although it is certainly a legitimate concern of her bosses at District offices.

Whether or not top management at Washington Unified treated her fairly (were her time records altered, and if so, by whose authority?) is an issue more important to the community. District management needs to assure the public that it operated within the law, within professional standards and without personal motivation. If transgressions occurred, they should be treated at least as harshly as those Gibson is alleged to have committed; managers should have at least the same legal and ethical standards as their employees.

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Letters to the Editor

Thank you West Sac fire and police

Raley Field is just great, but their elevators are not so hot. There were 15 of us Korean war veterans held captive in one, which seemed forever. I really don't know how long we were in there. We entered the elevator around 12:30 p.m.. We were to go onto the field before the game at 1:30 p.m. When we were finally escorted to our seats, the game was in the bottom of the 5th inning, so I think it was longer than 45 minutes. There were five of us Korean vets from West Sacramento. It was a frightening experience for there was not much air and we are all in our 70s.

But one thing for sure, we kept asking for the workers to call our West Sacramento fire department, and after what seemed forever, they did. And the response was overwhelming. They had us out within five minutes, one at a time, through the roof of the elevator. Our West Sacramento police were also there, giving a helping hand. That captain who was there should be very proud of his team. They took our blood pressure and made sure that we were okay. But most of all, you could see in their faces the concern for us old folks.

So, having said this, all of us citizens here in West Sacramento should be proud of our guys and gals from the Fire Department and Police Department. We are in good hands when they are needed and may God's blessings keep all of them from harm's way forever.

BILL RESENDEZ
West Sacramento

Kelleher needs to be fired

At the May 25th meeting of the Washington Unified School District Board, I was surprised to learn of a situation that has the potential to bankrupt our district.

As I understood the testimony the situation is this. Dr. Kelleher, with the advise and assistance of an unnamed School Board member who has a law enforcement connection filed 32 counts of criminal charges of embezzlement of time against a school district employee. Apparently he filed the charges in February but the employee was not served or arrested until April. The School Board members were not advised about Dr. Kelleher's intentions to file the charges nor did the Board ever meet to give Dr. Kelleher their approval to file the charges in the name of the Washington Unified School District. It is my understanding that Dr. Kelleher still has not addressed the board about his actions.

If the employee's lawyer, Mr. Richard Burton, was truthful in his testimony before the Board, and there is no reason to believe that he was anything but honest, the evidence does not support the charges. According to Mr. Burton, he has copies of time sheets that have been altered by an employee in the district and an admission from the employee who altered the documents that she had done so. He offered to meet and confer with the Board before the employee has her criminal trial in June. Mr. Burton told the Board that he would demand that they contact the District Attorney and withdraw the charges immediately and that his client receive a letter of apology signed by the superintendent. If this does not happen, he warned, and if, as he suspects will happen, the District Attorney reviews the evidence and chooses not to continue to prosecute the employee, the liability the District faces is an amount that is sure to bankrupt it.

What is really troubling about all this is that the superintendent is totally disrespectful of Board policies and possibly a legal obligation that the Board is the only body that can subject the District to a situation with potential for such high liability. Since the District is self-insured any payouts would come out of the District's own funds, funds that are supposed to be used to educate our children.

The question is then, how long is the School Board willing to allow Dr. Kelleher to disrespect and disregard Board policies and the best interests of the students, employees and community? I believe that the Board should immediately withdraw the complaint from the District Attorney's Office, issue a letter of apology to the employee and cut its losses. Additionally, the Board should immediately fire Dr. Kelleher for unilaterally deciding to take retaliatory action against an employee by altering and falsifying records. The community should identify the Board member who assisted Dr. Kelleher in this endeavor and demand that he/she step down from the Board because it is clear that the best interests of our students in not his/her first priority. I've heard that the potential judgment amount is in the neighborhood of $5 million dollars and that even if the employee is totally guilty of all charges, which is extremely unlikely considering the altered records and testimony to that effect by other employees, the sum total of her crime is said to be #3,700. It's hard to believe that Dr. Kelleher couldn't address this situation in any other way but by sneaking over to the police department and filing criminal charges.

The Committee for Better Education in West Sacramento presented testimony to the Board that responses to its anonymous survey of District employees revealed that a large number of employees believe that the District is run by retaliation and retribution. Can there be any cleared an example of this?

Finally, during the same board meeting a River City High School student appeared before the Board and practically begged the Board to install ceiling fans or some other devices that would circulate air in the classrooms because of the unbearable situation caused by extreme heat and stagnant air. She stated that even though the high school is slated to get air conditioning in the bond sponsored improvements, the students didn't want to wait a whole year. She indicated that the conditions in the classroom robbed the students of the ability to be the best students they could be. The Board President basically said offhandedly that they would get air conditioning with the remodel so she didn't want to spend money for ceiling fans, the students would just have to wait.

The irony, the Board is reluctant to spend money on something that would benefit the students yet it is willing to support it's superintendent's unilateral actions of subjecting the district to a potential $5 million dollar judgment that will not benefit one student in this District.

How much more will this community tolerate?

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Yolo High Class of 2000 announced

Graduating in June from Yolo High School are:

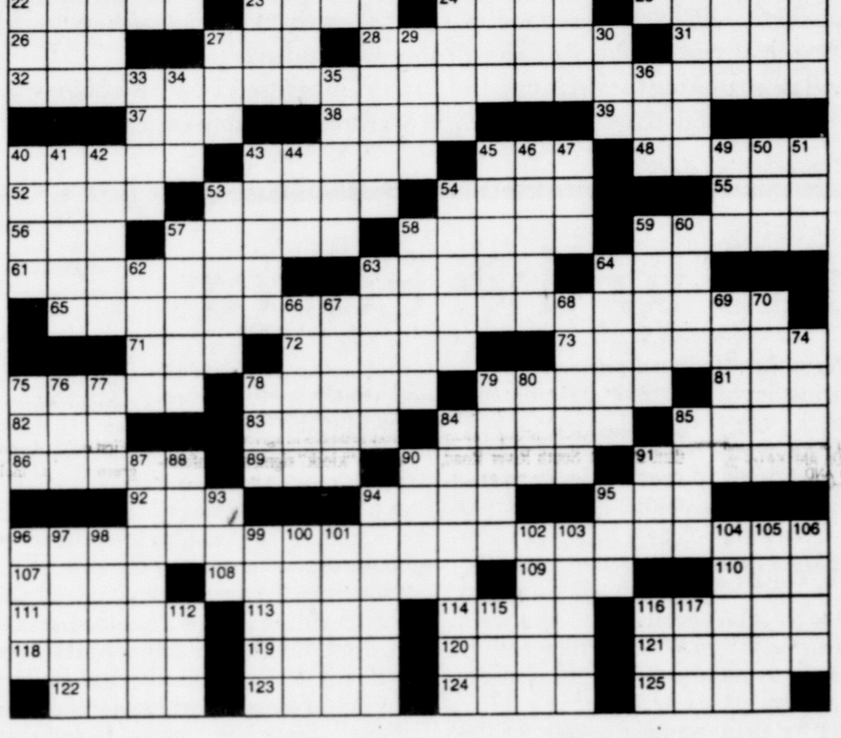
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Briones, Jennifer
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Garcia, William
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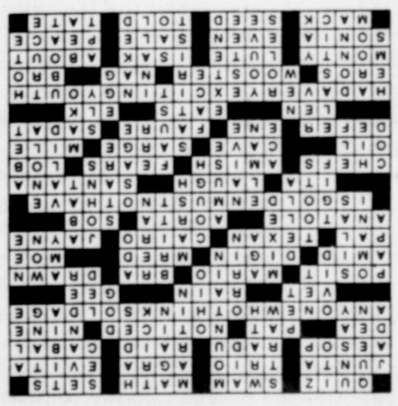
Super Crossword

ACROSS
1 Interrogate
5 Took a dip
9 Engineering course
13 Theater collection
17 Government group
18 The Fates, e.g.
19 Akbar's city
20 Madonna role
22 Moral man?
23 Pianist Lupu
24 Unwelcome visit?
25 Plot
26 Narcs' org.
27 Roberts or Robertson
28 Took in
31 Dress size
32 Start of a remark by Marguerite Whitely May
37 Malamute medic
38 Eaves dropper?
39 "— whiz!"
40 Assumption
43 "Tosca" tenor
45 "Veronica's Closet" item
48 Haggard
52 Surrounded by
53 Cook's cry
54 Wilbur Post's confidant
55 Curly poker?
56 Crony
57 Eisenhower, for one
58 African capital
59 Mansfield or Meadows
61 Author France
63 It comes from the heart
64 Weep
65 Middle of remark
71 "Make — double!"
72 Crack up
73 "Evil Ways" group
75 — salad
78 Pennsylvania sect
79 Rock's Tears for —
81 Squash shot
82 Garage supply
83 — in (yield)
84 Beetle Bailey's boss
85 1,760 yards
86 Put on hold
89 Vane letters
90 Composer Gabriel
91 '78 Peace Nobelist
92 Actor Cariou
94 Downs a donut
95 Antlered animal
96 End of remark
107 Aphrodite's son
108 Jeeves' master
109 Say please too often?
110 Buddy
111 "The Full —" ('96 film)
113 Guitar kin
114 Author Dinesen
116 "What — Bob?" ('91 film)
118 Poet Sanchez
119 Level
120 Mall event
121 Quiet partner?
122 Singer Lonnie
123 Start a crop
124 Blabbed
125 Conductor Jeffrey

DOWN
1 Chess piece
2 Retract
3 Skater Midori
4 Use a phaser
5 Scarecrow stuffing
6 Ire
7 Pitch in
8 Peak
9 Kind of swallow
10 Once more
11 Treat alternative
12 Hot spot?
13 Mo
14 First name in boxing
15 Shinbone
16 Berle sidekick
17 Pinkett of "The Nutty Professor"
21 Nautical adverb
27 Favorite
29 Kentucky neighbor
30 Westminster winner
33 Roman poet
34 Aerialist's fallback
35 Senator Hatch
36 Spear-headed
40 Mama's boy?
41 Muscat native
42 Marner or Lapham
43 Diverse
44 Khan opener?
45 Actress Ekland
46 Broadcast in July
47 Bustle
49 One of the Marches
50 Finished first
51 Born
53 Perry's secretary
54 Swamp
57 Reggae's — and the Maytals
58 Cold sound
59 Pop Art pioneer
60 Blind as —
62 Relief initials?
63 Tickle
64 Gawk
66 Violinist Mischa
67 Inexperienced
68 Inedible fruit
69 Sound
70 "— Gay"
74 Facilitate a felony
75 Fare for a fry
76 Hurry
77 Sprite
78 Mr. Lucky's card
79 Gounod opera
80 Drop a brick
84 Juvenal or Swift
85 Certain shark
87 Stretchy
88 Gun the engine
90 Mirror image?
91 Crafty
93 Contemporary
94 Hold out
95 Word with good or bad
96 Clears one's throat
97 Forster's "— With a View"
98 Singer Summer
99 Parts
100 "— Got a Friend" ('71 hit)
101 Cosmetician Lauder
102 Everything considered
103 Bare
104 Kapitan's command
105 Armistice
106 Table d'—
112 Flap one's gums
115 — Tome
116 Prone
117 Arthur or Benaderet



Answer to Super Crossword



HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Bat is shorter. 2. Pants are different. 3. Hedge is missing. 4. Ball is moved. 5. Star is missing. 6. Leaves are missing.

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Melvin J. Schmidt, 322 Valleywood Drive, Woodland, CA 95695.

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/s/Melvin J. Schmidt

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by: /s/Vikki Wittig, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 15, 2000
File No. 2000-374

The following person is doing business as Hart Truck Rental and Leasing, Inc., 2435 Sellers Way, West Sacramento, CA 95691:

Hart Truck Rental, Hart Nationalease and Hart Paclease, same address.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/18/76.

/s/
General Manager
Hart Truck Rental and Leasing, Inc.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 9, 2000
File No. 2000-357

The following person is doing business as APEJOE Customizing, 920 Cranbrook Ct. #17, Davis, CA 95616:

Leopoldo A. Moreno, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 6/1/96.

/s/Leopoldo A. Moreno

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Apr 24, 2000
File No. 2000-321

The following person is doing business as Prints By Mail, Printsbymail.com, 1936 Maxwell Ave., Woodland, CA 95776:

Debora Gutierrez, same address.

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/s/Debora Gutierrez

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by: /s/Georgia Tolle, Deputy Clerk
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Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, in accordance with provisions of Section 21700 et seq of the Business and Profession Code of the State of California, of public sale of the contents of the storage spaces named below, which consists of misc. personal property, household, garage, office furn., yard, household items, vehicles, trailers, to satisfy a landlord lien. Complete terms and inspection prior to sale which will be held on the 13th day of June in the County of Yolo, State of California, at 2600 Evergreen Ave., West Sacramento, CA 95691 at 10:00 a.m.:

A82 Sheila Woods/Brandon Schuler; A88/89 David Schwab/Frances; C18 Patricia Resendez; D10 Dawn Olson; D14/15 Valley Fleet Services Inc./Ralph Caporisso; E27 Jerry Sanchez/Juli Lien; E59/61 William C. Brunk; 11/3 Vicki Elwood.

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May 24 31

PUBLIC NOTICE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PRICE QUOTES NOTICE

The City of West Sacramento, Department of Public Works is requesting qualifications and price quotes for laboratory analyses of wastewater and sludge samples for the Industrial Pretreatment Division. If your company is interested, please contact Milt Preszler, Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent at 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691 or by calling (916) 373-5826.

May 24 31

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 22, 2000
File No. 2000-386

The following person is doing business as Mudita, 639 Arthur St., Davis, CA 95616:

Jefferson Pitcher, same address.

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/s/Jefferson Pitcher

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by: /s/Nathan Hunt, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed May 10, 2000
File No. 2000-361

The following person is doing business as Super Binger, 1260 Lake Blvd., Suite 123, Davis, CA 95616:

Heetrz Inc., same address.

This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 5/10/00.

/s/Douglass Loud/Adrian Petersen
Heetrz Inc.

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Date: May 12, 2000
by: /s/K. Weisenberg, Deputy Clerk
May 31 June 7 14 21

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Mar 10, 2000
File No. 2000-362

The following person is doing business as Baby's Masquerade, 2416 E. 8th St., Davis, CA 95616:

Roxanne Claudette Femling, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 19, 2000.

/s/Roxanne C. Femling

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Date: May 10, 2000
by: /s/Lupe Ramirez, Deputy Clerk
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NOTICE OF HEARING

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider the following matters on Thursday June 15 2000, at West Sacramento City Hall, 1350 Halyard Drive, West Sacramento, California, at the times as specified or as soon thereafter as the matters may be heard:

6:00 p.m.
Item #1
Zoning Administrator Actions
None
Item #2
McDonald's Corporation Conditional Use Permit (CUP) #00-01

McDonald's Corporation requests a conditional use permit to operate a drive-through restaurant at 800 Riverpoint Circle (APN 14-670-76). The proposed project is part of a larger facility that will include a Shell gas station, a convenience store and a car wash. The property is zoned C-3 (General Commercial) and is within Planned Development 23, Subarea A. A Negative Declaration has been circulated on this project. APPLICANT: McDonald's Corporation, 3009 Douglas Boulevard, Suite 300, Roseville, CA 95661. OWNER: Micnan, LLC, 2534 Northrup Avenue, Suite A, Sacramento, CA 95825.

/s/Stephen M. Patek, Director
Community Development Department
May 31

ORDINANCE SUMMARY

At their regular meeting on June 7, 2000, the City Council of the City of West Sacramento is scheduled to adopt Ordinance 00-7 amending the Zoning Ordinance in areas pertaining to outdoor storage, front setbacks in agriculture zones, offsite "kiosk" signs, nonconforming structures and the storage of recreational vehicles on residential properties.

May 31

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on June 14, 2000 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the following. The hearing will be held at city hall, 1350 Halyard Dr., West Sacramento. Interested persons are invited to attend. In compliance with the ADA, if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, you should contact the City Clerk at 373-5800. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting. City Hall is handicapped accessible.

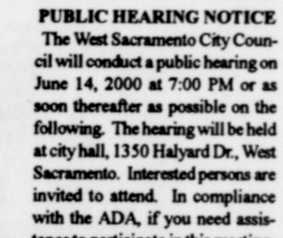
1. Resolution 00-41 adopting the 1999 General Plan Update.

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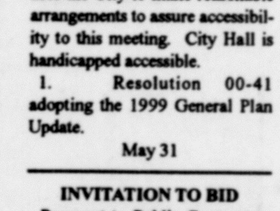
INVITATION TO BID

Pursuant to Public Contractors Code, the city of West Sacramento is soliciting bids for the publication of legal notices for the 2000-2001 fiscal year. Respondents must be a newspaper of general circulation and published locally. The Legal Notice Bid Form, available from the office of the city clerk, must be filled out in its entirety, sealed in an envelope clearly marked "Publication Bid" and received in the office of the City Clerk, 1350 Halyard Drive, West Sacramento, CA by 3:00 p.m. on June 7, 2000. Substantiating information must also be included in the same envelope. The city of West Sacramento reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

May 31 June 7



Some people once believed that a sapphire would protect the wearer against the powers of darkness.



The commonest surname in the English-speaking world is Smith, with more than two million Smiths in the U.S.



The Mayan and other Latin American Indians made rubber shoes by dipping their feet in latex and letting it dry on them.



At one time in China, geese were given as a present to newlyweds because geese are said to be faithful to each other.

The term "First Lady" dates from the time of Lucy Ware Webb Hayes, who was the 16th first lady from 1877-1881.

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, California until **2:00 p.m. local time on Tuesday, June 13, 2000** at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the:

Westacre Subdivision Water Main Replacement Project

The proposed work consists of the following:

Description of Work: The work consists of the placement of water main, water services, valves, tapping tee, and fire hydrants; abandonment of existing water mains, water services, valves, and fire hydrants; and all related components necessary to complete the work as shown on the Contract plans and/or specified herein. In addition, the work includes the replacement of any pavement, sidewalk, curb and gutter or public and private landscaping removed or damaged as a consequence of the execution of this Contract, as well as traffic stripes, pavement markings and all necessary traffic control.

First order of work shall be Evergreen Avenue including appurtenant improvements on intersecting streets as identified on the Contract plans. The work, to be completed within thirty (30) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed, consists of the placement of water main, water services, valves, fire hydrants, abandonment of existing valves and all related components necessary in order for the City to proceed with an AC overlay on Evergreen Avenue as identified in the shaded area on the Contract plans. In addition, the work includes hydrostatic testing the water main and services and the replacement of any pavement, sidewalk, curb and gutter or public and private landscaping removed or damaged as a consequence of the execution of this Contract prior to the City's overlay. All other related components necessary to complete the work as shown on the Contract plans and/or specified herein (flushing, sanitizing, connecting the new water services to the houses, and abandonment of existing water mains, water services, and fire hydrants) shall be completed within the one hundred and thirty (130) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.

Completion of Work: All work shall be completed within one hundred and thirty (130) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed. First order of work shall be Evergreen Avenue including appurtenant improvements on intersecting streets as identified on the Contract plans and/or specified herein. All work for Evergreen Avenue shall be completed within thirty (30) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.

Obtaining Contract Documents: Plans and specifications may be examined at the office of the Director of Community Development, 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, California. A copy of bid documents may be obtained at the office upon request and payment of $25.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of $30.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable.

Submission of Proposals: All proposals must be submitted not later than the time prescribed. The bidder is wholly responsible to see that his bid is submitted at the time and place designated for the opening of bids. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.

Each bid must conform and be responsive to this notice and shall be made on the official proposal forms furnished with the contract documents.

Attention is directed to the provisions of the Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15 which makes it a misdemeanor for any person without a valid contractors license (with specific exceptions) to submit a bid to act as a Contractor to a public agency.

Proposal Guarantee: Each proposal must be accompanied by cash, a cashier's check, certified check or bid bond, executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten (10) percent of the total bid price payable to the City of West Sacramento.

Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Government Code Section 4590, securities may be substituted for any monies which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance.

Construction License: The successful bidder must possess a current **Class "A" General Engineering or a Class "C-34" Pipeline** Contractor's License issued by the State of California.

Award: The award shall be made to the lowest responsible bidder whose proposal complies with the specified requirements. The award of Contract will be made by the Director of Community Development, and the Contractor shall execute the Contract within ten (10) days after he has received the Contract from the City.

The City reserves the right to waive any irregularity in the proposals. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids.

Rejection of Bids: The right is reserved to reject any and all bids. Any bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards in the best interest of the City.

Disqualification of Bidder: If there is a reason to believe that collusion exists among any bidders, none of the bids of the participants in such collusion will be considered and the City may likewise elect to reject all bids received.

Relief of Bidder: Attention is directed to the provisions of Public Contracts Code Section 5101 and following, concerning relief of bidders and in particular to the requirements therein that if the bidder claims a mistake was made in his bid, the bidder shall give the City written notice, within five (5) days after the opening of bids of the alleged mistake, specifying in the notice, in detail, how the mistake occurred.

Wage Rates: Bidders are hereby notified that the California Director of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the work.

It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any subcontractor under him to pay not less than the said specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution of the Contract.

Bonds: The successful bidder will be required to furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the Contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the Contract price.

Date: May 18, 2000
Stephen M. Patek
Director of Community Development

Police log

May 27, 1:20 a.m.
A man reported that he tied his dog inside his vehicle near 3rd and G St., left the windows open, and attended a baseball game at the nearby stadium. The dog was stolen.

May 27, 6:39 p.m.
Two victims reported that they had rented jet skis to suspects, but not returned their security deposit following the rental. The suspects became angry and drove their car close to the victim's car, ripping the car door from its hinges.

May 27, 11:55 p.m.
A Citrus St. resident reported a burglary in which tools and audio and visual equipment were taken.

May 28, 7 a.m.
Near 7th and E streets, a man reported his car had been stolen.

May 28, 7:30 a.m.
A Vermont St. woman reported an ex-boyfriend had vandalized her car, smashing its windshield and denting its hood. The officer accepted a citizen's arrest from her, then located the suspect and arrested him. Due to violence in the past, the arrested resulted in a jail booking.

May 28, 7:30 p.m.
Near 5th and C streets, officers responded to a report that a number of men were urinating in public. One of the men had a 1995 felony warrant and was arrested.

May 28, 8:09 p.m.
Near I-80 and Enterprise, a woman reported that her husband had grabbed the steering wheel while she was driving and nearly caused a traffic accident, while telling her he was going to kill her. The man was booked into jail.

May 28, 11:15 p.m.
A Riverpoint Cir. Store was robbed when three to five males entered and fled with two cases of beer. One of the suspects hit the clerk in the chest with a rock, but no injury was reported.

May 28, 10:45 p.m.
An officer was dispatched to a West Capitol Ave. room for "suspicious circumstances." A 44-year old man was contacted outside and found to be on searchable probation. Inside the room were found 0.7 grams of heroin along with paraphernalia related to smoking and injecting drugs. The man had an outstanding warrant as well, and was arrested.

May 28, 1 p.m.
On Merkley Ave., a woman reported that male of about 17 years old ran up behind her and stole her purse.

May 28, 1:50 p.m.
On James St., a woman reported that someone had entered her residence and stolen a TV and some food.

May 28, 6:50 p.m.
At Jefferson and West Capitol, an officer contacted a man for running a red light on his bicycle. The man was arrested for riding while intoxicated, and tests showed a blood alcohol level of 0.19 percent, or over twice the legal limit.

May 28, 7:15 p.m.
At Lighthouse and A streets, an officer contacted a man who said his four wheel drive vehicle had become stuck nearby close to the river, and he had left it to get help. When he returned, the vehicle's rear license plate was gone.

May 29, 4:55 a.m.
On Anna St., a man reported waking up and discovering his 13-year old son was gone from his bed. The youth was presumed a runaway, as he had a history of being a runaway.

In local government

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will meet Thursday, June 1, at 6 p.m.

Agenda items include a lot line adjustment for two parcels in the Southport Industrial Park; a lot line adjustment for five lots in a portion of the Southport Gateway subdivision; a Ranbo-Riverside LLC lot line adjustment; the elimination of a requirement to build a privacy wall along the northwest and west property lines at 920 Riverside Parksway; and a conditional use permit to add three antennas and two microwave dishes to an existing 150-foot AT&T telecommunications tower in the multi-family residential zone.

For further information, contact the Community Development Department.

Second hantavirus victim recovers, still no confirmed Yolo infection

Dr. Bette Hinton, Yolo County's health officer, announced Friday that a second probably case of hantavirus infection has been found in Yolo County. The patient, a young man from Davis, has recovered. Officials believe he was exposed in the Four Corners area of New Mexico, which he visited in March.

A Woodland man earlier died of the disease. But the man, a truck driver who traveled to different areas of California, may also have been exposed to hantavirus outside Yolo County.

"Since Hantavirus is not transmitted from person to person and these two people did not frequent the same areas, we do not expect to find a connection," said Hinton.

Hantavirus is spread to humans through breathing air contaminated with urine or feces from the deer mouse. Early symptoms include fever, deep muscle aches and shortness of breath. Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and headache may also occur. The virus can cause death even in healthy adults.

No case of infection has been confirmed to have occurred in Yolo or Sacramento counties, and the infection is not believed to be transmitted by the common house mouse or rats, but residents are advised to "use caution when in contact with any rodents."



Galt woman, two girls found dead in river near Clarksburg

The Yolo County Sheriff's Department has identified three bodies found in an apparent car crash in the Sacramento River near Clarksburg as belonging to a trio from Galt.

AnneMarie Hernandez, 34, died of asphyxia due to drowning. Causes of death for Jesika Rose Hernandez, 2, and Korra Jean Meyers, 5, are still being investigated. Toxicology results are expected to take eight to ten weeks.

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Local Scene

Golf tourney

The 15th Annual Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 4. Non-golfers are also welcome for the associated rib/chicken dinner at Holy Cross Hall at 6 p.m. For golf or dinner reservations, call Fred Pierini, 371-0485.

Church bazaar

Trinity Presbyterian Church will hold its annual bazaar Sat., June 3, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 1500 Park Blvd. The event includes a giant rummage sale (furniture, collectibles, clothes, plants, toys, books and more), food, fun and games. "Whitey's" chili will be sold along with hot dogs, nachos and baked goods. The Trinity Quilters group will raffle off their "Tumbling Blocks" quilt. Proceeds will help send kids to summer camp.

Shakespeare

The Sacramento Shakespeare Festival returns June 30 through Aug. 6 at William Land Park. Opening with "A Midsummer Night's Dream," the festival will continue with "The Tempest" beginning July 7. Parking is available for $1 on 15th Ave.; the box office opens at 6 p.m. on show nights and tickets are $10 general admission and $8 for students, seniors, SARTA members and those with disabilities. Picnics and beverages are permitted; blankets and jackets are encouraged. Ticket sales begin June 14. Call 558-2228 for information.

Church revival

The public is invited to First Southern Baptist Church revival beginning Sunday at 2124 Michigan Blvd. (at Maple). The theme this year is "Have You Heard? Jesus Loves You." Pastor Michael Root and guest speaker Dr. Bob Lewis will be present, along with music, refreshments and fellowship. Hours are June 4 at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; June 5-10 at 7 p.m.; and June 11 at 11 a.m. Call 371-2111.

Teacher's retirement

An outdoor potluck dinner is planned for June 11 at Clarksburg Elementary School to celebrate the retirement of the school's 39-year teaching veteran Joyce Ormond. The event will take place from 3 to 7 p.m. Bring a favorite memory to be written in a scrapbook. Last names A-G please bring main dish for 10; H-N; bring salad for ten; O-T, bring bread and U-Z bring an appetizer.

Senior spin

The quarterfinal playoff of Senior Spin, the West Sacramento Senior Center's takeoff of the Wheel of Fortune, is airing on Charter Cable TV Channel 21 this month. Contestants are Carole Bonilla and Jane Speed; Dee Bowen hosts; and Muriel Cruz makes her first appearance as Vanna Banana. The show airs every day at 6:30 p.m. plus Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Winner gets a $25 Grocery Outlet gift certificate.

Football clinics

West Sac Football, Inc., announces pre-season football clinics scheduled for May 21, June 11 and July 9; all at the Golden State Middle School from 3-5 p.m. and free of charge to registered plaers and West Sacramento residents. Children 5-14 are invited and may also pre-register for the league by calling 372-3027 or 372-0517. Final registration date is Wed., May 31, from 6:30-8 p.m. at River City High School; cheerleaders and mascot positions are also available.

Retiring a flag

Any old, worn-out American flags are invited to be brought to VFW Post 8762 for retirement before June 10. The veterans' post will take the flags to be properly disposed of on that date in a ceremony at the Yolo Co. Fair Ground at 11 a.m.

Book bargains

A book sale sponsored by the East Yolo Friends of the Library will be held June 10-11 with Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday hours 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Arthur F. Turner Library, 1212 Merkley Ave. On Sunday, books still unsold will be sold for $1 per bagful. Proceeds benefit library programs.

Workforce Board

Business leaders in Yolo County are invited to join the new Workface Investment Board. The California Workers Investment Board voted early this year to certify Yolo County as a Workforce Investment Area. The county can expand its services to job seekers and employers. WIB members will meet monthly and develop and oversee implementation of the Yolo Co. Workforce Investment Act and the county-wide One-Stop Career Development Centers System. For information, call Will Padilla, (530) 661-2924.

College registration

The West Sacramento Center of Sacramento City College is accepting registration for its summer session which begins June 5. Visit 1275 Halyard Dr., Suite 175, in West Sacramento Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. For information, call 375-5511.

Bus to Reno

The Golden Years Club is sponsoring a bus trip to Cal-Neva in Reno on Sun., June 18, leaving the VFW/River Cities Funeral parking lot at 905 Drever St. at 8 a.m. and returning at 8 p.m. Cost is $20 per person with a casino rebate of $10 cash and $3 for food. Call Bea Clark at 371-8799 for reservations; the public is invited.

Real estate license?

The West Sacramento Center of Sacramento City College will offer "Principles of Real Estate" June 5 through July 13, meeting Mondays through Thursdays 10:15 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. The course is required prior to taking the state real estate salesperson's exam. For more information, call 375-5511.

New titles at the library —

From Elise McCallan
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1212 Merkley Ave.

New books at the Arthur F. Turner Library include:

"It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life" by Lance Armstrong.

"The Wall Street Journal Interactive Edition's Guide to Online Investing" by Dave Pettit and Rich Jaroslovsky.

"Parenthood by Proxy: Don't Have Them If You Won't Raise Them" by Dr. Laura Schlessinger.

"Eat To Win for Permanent Fat Loss: The Revolutionary Fat-Burning Diet for Peak Mental and Physical Performance and Optimum Health" by Robert Hass, M.S.

"Jumping Fire: A Smokejumper's Memoir of Fighting Wildfire" by Murray A. Taylor.

"The Adonis Complex: The Secret Crisis of Male Body Obsession" by Harrison G. Pope, Jr., M.D. and others.

Call 375-6465 for information or library hours.

Have Some Fun.

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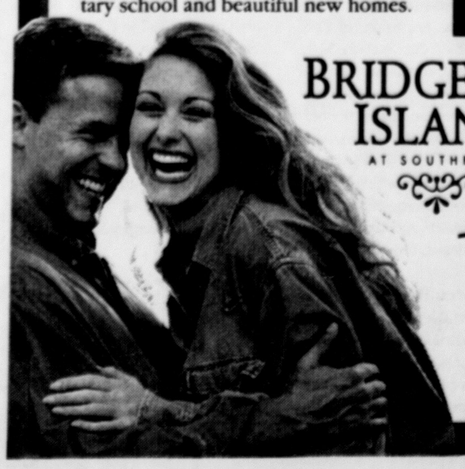
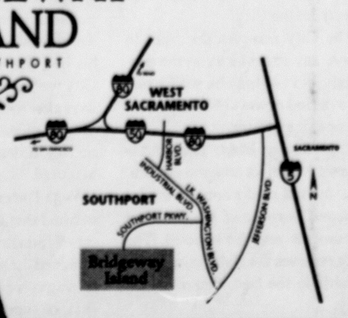
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